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COUNCIL SEEKS FOREIGN TRADE

Mr. William Pigott Says Pacific Coast Unity for World Trade Expansion Is Body's Slogan

TELLS LOCAL CHAMBER OF 1927 CONVENTION

Secretary of Trade Council "Says Gathering Will Put 'Victoria on Map'—Co-operation Essential"

"Pacific Coast Unity for World Trade Expansion" is the slogan of the Pacific Foreign Trade Council. Its aims are to stimulate commerce by every possible means and extend foreign markets of the Pacific Coast. In the development of the foreign trade of the Pacific Slope, it is not meant to take away any trade now enjoyed by others, but rather to open up new fields, which ultimately will be of advantage to all.

Mr. William Pigott, president of the Pacific Foreign Trade Council, told the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, at a luncheon meeting of the membership of the organization.

Mr. Pigott said that the Pacific Foreign Trade Council was looking forward to coming to Victoria for its big convention next fall, and he believed that the decision of the council to hold its fifth annual convention here marked a new and larger era in Pacific Coast unity.

Continuing, Mr. Pigott declared: "The Pacific Foreign Trade Council will welcome participation of other British Dominions at the convention in Victoria on September 15, 16 and 17, 1927, in addition to that of our northern neighbor, who for more than a century of unbroken friendship has been one of the United States' great suppliers as well as our best customers. The vast and growing trade between Canada and the United States is a striking proof of the value of such friendly relationship, and an unanswerable argument for the spirit of co-operation in developing trade."

Results of Co-operation

"Years ago men engaged in the same line of business were competitors to the extent of being almost enemies. The ways of doing business these days are different from years ago. Now, days business men solve their problems together. The problems of production and marketing are adjusted by men engaged in the same lines of business; their endeavors being to avoid duplication of effort, eliminate waste and curtail expense."

"Conferences for standardization, uniformity of practices and equitable consideration are continually being held by all lines of industry in the United States and Canada; the steamship companies, railroad companies, Simon canners, lumber companies, grain organizations, etc., all tending to show that future prosperity depends on joining hands, becoming partners and developing along logical, practical and substantial lines."

"The East has its foreign trade councils, as has also the Middle West and South, each studying the particular needs of their communities. The great foreign trade industry of the Pacific Coast, with its distinct interests, must also have special means for handling the major phases of its particular interests. I understand that Canada also has its foreign trade councils. All of these councils must synchronize in their efforts, because their individual problems are no greater than their nation's as a whole. If the Pacific Foreign Trade Council can be the medium to aid the Pacific Coast interests and consequently the nation and the world, it merits the participation of all."

Come to Buy or Sell

"Business men from other nations should be invited to come. The citizens living inland, particularly the agricultural, should be shown that we can more nearly help with his problems if an understanding of them is made. Business men attend these conventions for the contacts which they make. They come to buy or to sell, perhaps not immediately, but with a future aim in mind."

"The Pacific Foreign Trade Council, therefore, has carefully defined and special interests to serve, and its endeavors along these lines have won the plaudits of leaders of our great industries and commerce."

"The Pacific Foreign Trade Council is nonpolitical. Its interests are primarily on behalf of the Pacific Coast, but it cannot be shown as sectional, for it merely endeavors to centralize once a year those interested in foreign trade, and secure from, or disseminate to these interests helpful suggestions for the benefit of the country as a whole."

Mr. Pigott declared that between 1,000 and 1,500 delegates, representing United States, Canada, Great Britain, Australia and Japan, would probably attend the Pacific Foreign Trade Council's convention here next September. The entire Pacific Coast would be well represented by financial, industrial and commercial leaders.

Payrolls Essential to Progress

Payrolls created by local men and established with the aid of local capital would work wonders for Victoria, Mr. Pigott believed. He said Victoria was a fine city and suited for industries. It would, however, have to be a second London or Manchester, but it could be made into a city where there would be enough industries to establish these payrolls which were essential to make any city a happy place in which to dwell.

In introducing Mr. Pigott to the chamber, President C. D. W. Schwenger stated that among the delegates coming to the Pacific Foreign Trade Council's convention in Victoria would be Mr. E. W. Beatty, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and his directors, Mr. Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railway, and members of his board, and Mr. James A. Farrell, president of the United States Foreign Trade Council.

Victoria would have the united support and co-operation of the Vancouver Board of Trade in making the convention a huge success, was the assurance given by Mr. Nicol Thompson, of Vancouver, a past president of the Mainland trade body. He realized the great importance of foreign trade, and said that the Vancouver foreign trade group of the Board of Trade was one of the most important branches of the organization. He said he considered that the future business of the Pacific was in the Orient, and felt that Victoria was, therefore, a fine place in which to hold the convention.

Will Be Greatest Yet

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Lawyer Brings Suit Against Mrs. Jardine

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Claiming return of \$13,000 and rescission of a contract, Mr. Elmer Victor Finland, a Victoria lawyer, was a plaintiff before Mr. Justice Murphy in Supreme Court today.

The defendant is Mrs. Jennie Jardine, of Nanaimo, who is also sued in her capacity as executrix of the will of her husband, J. B. Jardine, who died April 24, last.

Mr. Finland alleges that he was induced to buy from Mrs. Jardine and her husband shares in the Nanaimo Reduction Works, Ltd., which operated a fish reduction plant at Nanaimo, for \$25,000, of which he

had paid by January 27 last, \$13,000. On May 7, he alleges, he decided that certain representations of the late Mr. Jardine were untrue. He, therefore, seeks the return of his money and rescission of the agreement to purchase stock.

Plaintiff's allegations are denied by Mrs. Jardine, who counterclaims for \$12,000, the balance of the purchase price.

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Lure of Fire Gong**Leads Man to Death**

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—The lure of the fire gong proved to be a siren of death for Andrew Houst, retired captain of the Detroit Fire Department, here yesterday.

The veteran fire fighter died today from injuries received while responding to an alarm just for the thrill of the climbing, mad ride to a fire. He was one of eleven men hurt when two heavy pieces of fire equipment collided with terrific force at a blind intersection while answering a call. Lee Irwin, a truckman, also may die.

Wood Pulp Is Subject Of Interesting Lecture

Mr. Ketchen, of Whalen Pulp and Paper Mill, Outlines Process of Manufacturing—Products of Mills Dealt With—Rayon Silk Latest Development

An interesting lecture on the manufacturing of wood pulp was given by Mr. W. L. Ketchen, M.E.C., of the Whalen Pulp and Paper Mills, Port Alice, before the local branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada. His lecture was illustrated by many instructive slides.

Introducing his subject with the early discovery of the manufacture of sulphite pulp, Mr. Ketchen went on to tell his audience just what the wood pulp industry meant to Canada as a business.

"The importance of the industry in Canada is indicated by the tonnage produced. In 1925, 227,465 tons of sulphite pulp, and 615,229 tons of unbleached sulphite were manufactured, making a total production of 842,755 tons," Mr. Ketchen stated.

"The wood consumed to produce this sulphite was approximately 1,686,000 cords, representing 1,200,000,000 feet board measure, British Columbia log scale. These figures are in newspaper. Had all these logs been cut in the eastern provinces it would have amounted to a forest over 500 square miles in area, but had it all been cut on the B.C. Coast, 130 square miles only would have been stripped. This figure would be a very conservative one for bush lands on Vancouver Island.

"In 1924, the United States Department of Agriculture Bulletin states: 'A recent study of the world's timber supply shows that coniferous species supply nearly one-half of the timber cut in the entire world. They occupy little more than one-third of the world's area of forest lands. Furthermore, the current growth of coniferous is less than four-fifths of the cut. The critical timber supply problem of the next half century at least will centre in the coniferous forests.'

"Sweden is already removing the full annual growth from her forest, and Norway is overcutting hers. The English forests are as a whole overcut. Many observers foresee the limit of the expansion of the Eastern Canadian industry. Apparently the only country in the world, outside of the United States, which offers opportunity for a long-sustained increase in pulp wood supplies, commensurate with the increasing world demands, is Russia, including Siberia, and a large part of Russian forests are inaccessible; therefore, it behoves all realists of British Columbia to zealously guard their forest property from both fire and from waste in logging operations.

"There are no sulphite mills between Ontario and British Columbia, but a pulp and paper mill for newsprint is now being constructed in Manitoba that will make its own sulphite. In British Columbia, the Powell River Company make sulphite for its own consumption in newsprint. Ocean Falls consumes, I believe, all the sulphite they produce in their own paper products. The Howe Sound sulphite mill of the B.C. Pulp & Paper Company, Limited, make unbleached, high-grade sulphite. The Port Alice mill of the same company, is the only mill west of Ontario making a bleached sulphite pulp.

"The amount of capital required to build a bleached sulphite mill, exclusive of hydro-electric plant and timber limits, is between \$200,000 and \$400,000 per ton, depending on location. Manufacturing conditions, unless in very exceptional circumstances, make any operation of small independent units unprofitable.

"The logs most commonly used are white and black spruce, hemlock, cedar and larch, or to give the latter its correct name the amabilis fir. Logging operations are usually conducted by logging superintendents entirely independent of manufacturing operations but responsible to the same general manager or managing director as the case may be.

"A hundred-ton mill will give direct employment to about 250 men working eight-hour shifts, and indirect

employment in the bush to many more.

"The raw materials of pulp making are: Wood or logs, sulphur, limestone and fuel.

"The manufacturing process can be divided into three groups: The preparation of the wood, the cooking process, and the preparing and bleaching of pulp after cooking. The preparation of wood comprises the breaking down of logs into chips.

"The wood must be first thoroughly barked, that is, the inner skin of the bark must be entirely removed from the outer skin of the wood. Barking can be done mechanically by rotating and severing the chips as in the Waterous Knife Barker, by hand peeling of Summer-cut wood or by the Thorne Barker method for cleaning small logs in lengths up to sixteen feet.

"The clean wood passes to the chipper. The chips are delivered to either flat or round screens that separate out the sawdust, large knots and shavings—the chips, properly graded are delivered to storage bins above the digesters.

"Having got the chips safely into the storage bins, we will next consider the acid making plant. Most sulphite mills use the Jensen two-tower system. Sulphur 95% per cent is burnt in rotary burners in the presence of a carefully regulated air supply. The SO₂ gas formed is then either blown or pulled by fans through a lead cooler which reduces the temperature of the gas as possible from about 900 degrees to 20 degrees or 22 degrees centigrade.

"The cooled gas is forced through towers approximately eighty feet high. In the two-tower system the gas entering the first or strong tower meets the weak acid descending in a shower and trickling over the limestone rock.

"The gas that is not absorbed in the strong tower passes to the second or weak tower and meets fresh water showered down over the rock. In other words the surplus gas from the strong tower meets and is absorbed by fresh water and this weak acid descends in the strong tower. The acid from the strong tower is pumped to the top of a recovery tower filled with material impervious to acid and flows over the surface of the filling in thin films, thereby offering a maximum of absorption surface to the relief gases that are blown into the recovery tower from the digester during the process of cooking. The finished acid flows by gravity or is pumped into storage tanks ready to be used in the digesters as required. It is advisable to have eighteen or twenty-four hours' storage of acid on hand at all times to insure proper settling out of sludge and as an insurance against a stoppage in the acid plant, and to maintain a uniform acid strength. The amount of acid pumped to a digester in filling is roughly 2,500 gallons per ton of pulp. A pound of sulphur yields roughly approximately nine gallons of acid. The piping in this department is all hard lead on account of iron piping being attacked by acid.

Digester Stage

"With chips in the storage bin and acid in the tanks the digesters are now ready for charging. In modern practice chips are filled from the top of the digester and acid enters from the bottom either by an independent acid pipe and inlet in the bottom elbow or through the steam inlet. On the cook is nearly completed the pressure is lowered to forty pounds, and on the completion of the cook the blow valve is opened and the digester is discharged into the blow-pit.

"Skill is required in discharging a digester to have the top cover lifted to prevent a vacuum forming inside the digester thereby endangering the safety of the digester lining.

"The wood is now converted into cellulose fibre. The average fibre from one-inch logs is one-half inch or three millimeters long and are about 100 times as long as wide. The pulp being discharged from the digester enters the preparing department as a cleanliness depends on the efficiency of the screen room. After being washed in the pits until all traces of acid are gone, the stock is pumped to rotary knotters whose function is to separate knots, uncooked wood from the fibres. The stock is further cleaned on the screens. The flat screen, the rotary screen and the centrifugal screen each have their own particular advocates, but flat screens would seem best adapted for bleaching pulp or high grade clean unbleached.

Water Essential Factor

"Large amounts of water must be available in the preparing room. The stock flows over the flat screens at a consistency of 200 to one, that is, one ton of stock is floated over the screen plates by 300 tons of water, thus a hundred ton mill would pump over the plates at least 30,000 tons of stock and water for twenty-four hours.

"Stock can be run over rollers either before or after bleaching to remove fine particles of impurities that have passed through the screen plates. The next process is to remove the water that was the vehicle in screening and reduce the stock to a density suitable for bleaching. This density varies from five per cent in Hellmers to eighteen to twenty per cent in a dense bleacher.

"A machine will undoubtedly be perfected in the near future that will give a uniform whiteness to the stock equal to that now obtained by the Bellmer low density bleacher.

"Stock requires from fourteen per cent to eighteen per cent bleach and must never be overheated. The temperature must be recorded by a recording thermometer. The proper color being attained the stock is washed clean of excess bleaching liquor, run over the dry stock machine, cut into sheets, baled and exported.

Chemists Are Important

"The chemist and his assistants play an important part in a sulphite mill. Chemical control supervises all departments keeping track of water losses, sewer losses, watches for and corrects any irregularities in acid making and cooking that may occur. Every digester is tested for strength of fibre, freeness and color. Certain other chemical tests are made at regular intervals that demand great accuracy.

"The engineering problems that are always present in a sulphite mill are largely problems concerning the elimination of waste during all manufacturing operations, efficiency in handling and routing of product at all stages of manufacture, so eliminating waste labor or power or heat or materials.

"Heat is an expensive commodity that is extensively used. Between seven and eight pounds of steam are required per pound of bleached pulp or process operations exclusive of any power or plant heating, consequently the steam plant must be up to date and efficient.

"The various articles into which sulphite pulp can be manufactured are very numerous. Dr. Hibbard, of McGill University, has prepared a chart which illustrates this very clearly.

"The chief finished article is of course paper, either bond, book, tissue, parchment or greaseproof.

Rayon Products

"The next product and one still in its infancy is conversion into Rayon.

"The sample skeins of Rayon were made in Canada, presented for the purpose of this talk by Messrs. Court-alds, of Cornwall, Ontario.

"The skein marked 150 Denier A, each thread is made up of twenty-one filaments; skein 150 Denier B, each thread is made up of thirty-three filaments; skein 300 Denier A, of forty-four filaments per thread. This exhibit is a very fine Canadian product.

"Rayon is a continuous filament and not a spun thread like cotton. It is reported that the slogan of Rayon salesmen is logs to legs. You will be glad to know that the Province of British Columbia is not lagging behind and special sulphite is now being regularly manufactured at Port Alice and exported to Japan where it is converted into Rayon.

"Dr. Hibbard's chart shows two other methods of making artificial silk from sulphite.

"Cellulose is another product used for aeroplane dope and the sulphite can be made into a filament similar in appearance to Rayon and can be substituted for all purposes that silk can be used for. A Cellulose plant is now being erected at Drummondville, Province of Quebec."

DIES AFTER MAKING MILLION AS AVOWED

Boston Man Fulfills Boyhood Dream, Succumbs to Kidney Trouble

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Joseph B. Donovan, who lived to realize a boyhood ambition to retire with "his million," at the age of forty-five, died last week, less than a year after his retirement.

An unexpectedly serious development in a kidney ailment, for which he went to the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital several weeks ago, set in just after Thanksgiving. He never rallied.

As a fourteen-year-old apprentice mechanic in the Harmon, N.Y., shops of the New York Central Railroad, a little more than thirty-one years ago, Donovan told a group of fellow tollers that he would make his million by the time he was forty-five years old and quit. It was in the fulfillment of this thirty-year-old promise that he retired as head of the Donovan Motor Car Company January 1 last, several months before his forty-fifth birthday.

He was born in Rochester, N.Y., on May 8, 1880, and at eleven found employment in a carpet factory at \$1.50 a week. He shifted to a job in a drug store that netted him \$1.75 a week, but within a few years turned to the trade of railroad machinist.

Working in the grove and grime of the railroad shops one day he saw an aged millionaire feebly making his way to an office where he hoped to gather future fortunes. One million was enough for any man, he told his companions. He determined never to be seen tottering after greater wealth after he had "made his million."

The other workers laughed as he made his vow to retire at forty-five with a million. They told him that with his wages of ten cents an hour he would never have to worry over his wealth or about when he would retire.

He became a good machinist, fought in the Spanish-American War, and then, with the advent of the automobile, became a motor mechanic. He worked on the first car of a now well-known make, and afterward came to Boston to try his hand at selling the same line of automobiles.

That was in 1908. When the automobile became more popular he organized his own company. At the banquet at which he announced his retirement last January, Governor Alvan T. Fuller, who had rounded out a somewhat similar career, epitomized his reason for success by saying:

"He made his success in life with sacrifice of any friends along the way."

MOVE MADE TO OPEN PARK AREAS TO MINING

Interested Bodies at Meeting in Vancouver Advocate Such Action

Restrictions governing metal mining in National Park areas of British Columbia are becoming so detrimental to progress, members of Vancouver mining fraternity agreed at a luncheon at Hotel Vancouver Tuesday, that plans were laid for preparing a brief embracing the viewpoint of those interests and submitting same to the Federal Government with request for relief. The luncheon was a joint function to which members of the Board of Trade Mining Bureau, the British Columbia Chamber of Mines and the Vancouver branch, Canadian Institute of Engineers, were invited.

There being no scheduled speaker, the discussion was opened by Dr. Victor Dolmage, chairman of the bureau, who outlined the history of government restrictions. The situation in British Columbia, said Dr. Dolmage, was made complex by the fact that most of the national parks lie within the railway belt. While until recently some latitude was allowed by which mining of precious metals, under Provincial Government licence, could be carried on within the park areas, restrictions have been added to the park authority was vested in the park commissioners, and mining was virtually impossible.

Too Much Protection

Alderman Frank Woodside held that the policy of protecting park areas could be carried too far. He believed in national playgrounds, but

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thought restrictions, which stopped operations entirely were detrimental to the progress of the Province.

Taking issue with the apparent belief of the park commissioners that mining operations were likely to interfere with the scenic beauties of the parks, Mortimer Lamb said while he was generally in sympathy with the idea of preserving natural beauty spots, he felt that in many cases mining operations were as likely to enhance the view as to detract from it. He believed, however, that in the case of claims which had been recorded prior to the passage of the

prohibitory restrictions, hardship had been imposed, as many of the claim owners had done permanent work involving large expense. A suggestion that the department give special consideration to claims recorded prior to the prohibitory legislation did not meet with full approval. Other speakers held that the ban on prospectors should be removed, at least in part.

The chairman finally was instructed to appoint a committee to prepare a brief for submission to Ottawa. The committee to report at the next bureau meeting.

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SNOW IN VICTORIA

A mystified and apparently indignant subscriber has asked The Colonist to tell him about the heavy fall of snow which is alleged to have come down from the clouds on Tuesday night and covered the streets of Victoria like a shroud. It is two years since a flake of snow has been seen in Victoria, and it may be that the inquisitive subscriber was disappointed because he was deprived of a sight of a thing that is rare and is therefore an object of curiosity. At any rate, whatever the conditions may have been during the night, there was no snow to be seen on the streets of Victoria in the morning, except a wisp or two in corners where the rain could not get at it and subject it to the treatment it deserves.

And yet the mystified and indignant subscriber must not assume that the reporter who wrote a description of the heavy fall of snow that covered the streets of Victoria was not justified in writing the thing he did. The competent and ambitious reporter who is told to get a "story" about something is usually anxious to impart what is technically called "color" to his "story." A lurid color in a "story" is preferable when possible, but a white and brilliant color is better than a drab color or no color at all. An active imagination is of great assistance to an ambitious reporter. When a "story" is destitute of color, an active imagination can supply the necessary trimmings.

The probability therefore is that when the competent reporter, in the "we smn" hours of the morning (when all persons engaged in lucrative professions and following respectable callings were wrapped snugly in blankets and were soundly asleep) wrote his story about the fall of snow, the snow actually was falling fast, and there was justification for the assumption that the streets of the city would be covered with a white mantle in the morning. But the weather at this season of the year is very vagarious and likes to play tricks upon the unwary. The weather therefore changed its mind and played a trick upon the imaginative reporter. The snow which fell in the night had all disappeared in the morning, and so far as we can learn, there was general rejoicing over its departure. Snow upon the Olympic Mountains across the water looks beautiful when the rays of the morning sun shine upon it in the morning, but snow upon the streets of Victoria, in the morning or at any other time, is an abomination, because the immediate end of it is slush. We have not seen snow upon the streets of Victoria for two years, and we hope we shall not see any more of it for another two years.

AS OTHERS SEE US

The Publicity Bureau and the advertising departments of the Canadian railways are doing their best, with most excellent results, to direct the attention of people in other and far less favored parts of the world to the climatic advantages of and business opportunities in this part of the world. Unfortunately, there are elements in the population of Victoria and in the districts surrounding Victoria who are doing their best, or their worst, to counteract the effects of the excellent work being done by the Publicity Bureau and the advertising departments of the Canadian railways.

The work being done by the Bureau and the railways costs a considerable amount of money. We are going to make a suggestion for the more or less serious consideration of the Bureau and the railways. That more or less serious suggestion is that part of the money being spent in advertising the attractions of Victoria and of the districts surrounding Victoria be spent in rounding up a contingent of the chronic grouches who are always "in our midst" and sending them away somewhere (almost anywhere will do), and keeping them there for a while, and then when they come back they will be just as enthusiastic about the climatic advantages of Victoria and the business opportunities to be found in Victoria as the most optimistic of our citizens. That remedy for chronic pessimism has been tried in individual cases and has been found very effective. We never yet have met an individual who had spent a few months in exile who did not come back home with a song in his heart when he stepped ashore at the docks of Victoria.

Now six years, coming from New Zealand here, but I am looking forward to the time when I can come back home—for that's what Victoria is to me. I have never ceased to boast Victoria and never shall, and I am not the only one. I am only waiting my chance. I am a horticulturist and in my travels I have nowhere seen a plume more suitable for the development of new trees, shrubs, etc., than round about Victoria, and I quite agree with your remarks that the average Britisher knew the facts his views would be different, and not only the Britisher, but the average Californian. The average New Zealander is under the same misapprehension. Of course as a worker I have to look out for my bread and butter, but can honestly say that I would sooner have bread and butter in Victoria than I would have the best that they can give in California if it came to a show down. Let British Columbia get work for her people and there will be no lack, because the population will increase fast enough, especially if those who are always bemoaning that the trend of industry is to disturb their rest would bestir themselves and think of British Columbia first instead of themselves.

MAJOR ARMSTRONG

Major Charles Leland Armstrong was one of a number of bright and clever young newspapermen of this city who joined up during the Great War and served with distinction overseas. Half a dozen of those gallant young men who joined up and went overseas were connected with the journalistic staff of The Colonist—and they never came back. The cause for which they fought triumphed, but they sleep peacefully in the places where the poppies will bloom again in due season in Flanders Fields.

Major Armstrong did not die on the field of battle, but he died prematurely, and his premature death, like the premature deaths of thousands of others who survived the direct consequences of the Great War, was due to his experiences on the field of battle. The Major was a clever writer and a most capable all-round newspaperman. Everybody who knew him will join with us in expressions of sympathy for his bereaved wife and children.

Parliament at Ottawa has practically completed the business for which it was called together, the members have collected a third of their sessional indemnities and will go home to spend their Christmas holidays. The Legislature of British Columbia will meet today in formal session, dispatch its formal business, and the members will immediately go home to enjoy their Christmas holidays. So there is something to be thankful for on the eve of the joyous season. Politics, turkey, plum pudding and mince pies are like oil and water. They "do not mix."

An eminent authority who expresses dogmatic opinions upon almost every subject, advocating abolition of capital punishment, says: "It has been proven a thousand ways that under normal conditions murder increases when the Government sets an example in killing." Well, we hanged a few foreign murderers in this country, and immediately the foreign murderers forebore from coming into this country and murdering.

An American statesman declares that there must be no entangling alliances with Canada. If the United States were to join with Canada in the construction of a canal from the Great Lakes to the sea, that would be an entangling alliance. Besides the United States has barrels of money and could dig a waterway through the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific Ocean if it felt like doing it.

A man and woman in the State of Oklahoma, where the oil is fought a duel with pistols. The man is dead, that is the final argument in support of the doctrine of sex equality.

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 3 p.m., December 15, 1926.

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PIONEER DIES AT FAMILY RESIDENCE

Mr. Thomas Watson, Formerly Provincial Health Officer of Saskatchewan, Died Yesterday

There passed away yesterday morning, at the family residence, 337 Robertson Street, Mr. Thomas Watson, pioneer of Regina and for sixteen years Provincial health officer for Saskatchewan. Mr. Watson was seventy-one years of age.

He was born in Scotland and came to Regina twenty-three years ago. For sixteen years he was Provincial health officer of Saskatchewan. He had been a resident of this city for the past eighteen months.

Among those who mourn his loss are his widow and three daughters, Miss Alice Watson, residing at home, Mrs. J. D. Cameron, of Winnipeg, and Mrs. J. H. Porter, of Saskatoon. The funeral service will be held from the R. J. Curry Funeral Home, corner of Quadra and Broughton Streets, on Friday, at 2 p.m. Rev. Dr. Clay will officiate. Interment will be made in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

CAMPAIGN FUNDS TOOK LARGE SUM

(Continued from Page 1)

Then the reading of the list started. The next cheque was for \$2,400. "That's the same," said the witness. The next one was for \$1,800, dated October 5, 1925.

"Campaign funds," was the explanation. "Six thousand dollars, dated August 6, 1925."

"Campaign funds," said the witness. "And so the list went on. There was one cheque for \$10,753, issued on October 20, 1925. Another of \$5,000 bore the date of October 16, 1925. One of \$2,000 dated October 14, 1925. Mr. Reifel said he thought was used for fighting prohibition.

"What prohibition campaign was on in 1925?" queried Mr. Reifel. "I think it was money spent in Victoria to get beer by the glass," said the witness after some reflection.

Four cheques totalling \$10,000 and payable to one man were issued between the beginning of January, of the present year and the end of June. In all, the contributions totalled over \$75,000, and then when this information was before the Commission, the question arose as to whether or not it was pertinent to the investigation.

Mr. Rowell's Comment

"My submission is that this discloses such a shocking expenditure that it presents a public scandal of the first magnitude," declared Mr. Rowell, in arguing that the money for these contributions, as well as other unexplained expenditures should be probed to the bottom.

Commissioner Wright asked if there was anything to connect these expenditures with the Customs Department in any way.

"That I cannot say," said Mr. Rowell. "My submission would be that the Commission should pursue them to a point where it is shown that the Customs is not affected. We should probe it to the bottom, and then if nothing to the disadvantage of the Customs is found so much the better for the Customs Department."

We are not charged with the duty of finding out whether brewers or distillers contributed to party funds," declared Commissioner Wright.

"Chairman J. T. Brown referred to the fact that the sum of \$40,000 had been paid to one man between January and June of the present year for campaign funds."

"This is so large that I think it should be investigated," he said. "To me this is a shocking amount to be paid for campaign purposes."

"The whole thing has such an aspect that I must place it before the Commission," said Mr. Rowell.

The three Commissioners decided to defer their decision as to whether or not they should go further into the matter of these charges until tomorrow. "We think we'd better sleep over this," Chairman Brown informed counsel.

Millions of Dollars' Worth Shipped

Before Mr. Reifel took the stand, Major A. E. Nash, of Clarkson, Gordon & Hildworth, was examined in regard to the books and records of British Columbia Breweries. He stated, during his examination that millions of dollars' worth of liquor were shipped by the Consolidated Exporters and the Jos. Kennedy Company to a man called Skord, at Windsor, Ont. This was all done for several years. The duty and sales tax on shipments, in bond or in transit, he estimated at a very large sum running into several millions. This was revenue which had not accrued to the Dominion because the shipments were not on their face subject to duty or sales tax. In answer to a question by Mr. J. W. deB. Farris, appearing for the brewing interests, as to why all the British Columbia breweries had not been investigated, Major Nash stated that inquiry had been conducted only into those indicated by the Department of Customs. The chairman of the Commission said that, if necessary, the others would be investigated.

Prosecution of Witnesses

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Warning was given by Hon. R. N. Rowell, K.C., that tomorrow afternoon he proposes to make his proposal which may result in the prosecution of four witnesses who testified in the Chris Moeller liquor ship case. Mr. Rowell some days ago notified the Commission that he proposed to recommend that the evidence taken in this case be submitted to the Attorney-General of British Columbia with a view to prosecution of four witnesses. The names of the witnesses were not given.

Tomorrow morning lawyers for the witnesses in the case will be permitted to present evidence in opposition to the suggestion of the Commission counsel. In the afternoon the recommendation will probably be made, and argument for and against it be heard. The question will then rest with the Commission. Chairman Brown has already intimated that the Commission has under consideration some such action as that suggested by Mr. Rowell.

Mr. Rowell also intimated today that he proposes to suggest to the Commission that steps be taken to collect bonds which are held for in transit liquor shipments pending return of landing certificates. A number of these bonds are in the possession of the Customs Department.

Morning Session

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—The word "bribery" was uttered when counsel flashed before the Customs probe this morning. Mr. George C. Reifel, president of the Joseph Kennedy

Company, liquor exporters, of Vancouver, and interested in other Vancouver liquor firms, was being pressed by Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., Commission counsel, to explain the meaning of certain mysterious vouchers.

Each voucher was marked only with an initial, the name of a brand of whisky and one of the Provincial Government liquor stores indicated by a street such as "Powell Street," "Cordova Street," etc.

Mr. Reifel could not explain these vouchers beyond saying that they were paid to Mr. Wilcox, salesman of the company. He did not know what Mr. Wilcox did with the money. The vouchers bore the initials of the witness.

At this point Mr. J. W. deB. Farris, counsel for the British Columbia Breweries, intervened.

"This is not a matter for investigation by the Customs Commission," he protested.

"If a company operating under a Dominion licence is committing a criminal offence, either with Provincial or Federal officials, its business is to look into it," retorted Mr. Rowell.

Mr. Farris disagreed with this. The Customs Commission had been appointed for certain definite purposes and Mr. Rowell's questions were outside its scope.

"If it appears that these companies have been bribing Government officials, I would take the responsibility of asking the Commission to recommend cancellation of their licences," declared Mr. Rowell.

Commissioner Wright demurred. He was not sure that the scope of the inquiry would justify this.

Question Not Pressed

Chairman Brown, however, was inclined to agree with Mr. Rowell. "We are going to get at the bottom of this," he said. "Where is Mr. Wilcox?" the chairman asked.

Mr. Rowell explained that the Commission has been unable to locate Mr. Wilcox, to whom Mr. Reifel says this money was paid.

"I think that it is my duty to tell witness that he is not required to answer the questions," Mr. Farris said.

Mr. Rowell then tried to file the vouchers as an exhibit before the Commission.

Again Mr. Farris protested.

Finally, Chairman Brown said the Commission would take time to consider the matter raised by Mr. Farris, and Mr. Reifel was allowed to leave the stand.

Mr. Farris told the Commission that the British Columbia Liquor Commission purchased all the liquor sold by the various Government liquor vendors. There was no direct evidence given explaining why the amounts, which were numerous and about \$200 each, should have been paid to the various vendors.

Chinaman Found Guilty Of Attempting to Enter

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Law Sui, of Hong Kong, was found guilty by Magistrate J. A. Findlay, in police court, of attempting to enter Canada on the credentials of a Chinese who had gone from Vancouver to China for a visit and died there. He was remanded to Thursday for sentence.

Mr. Massey Expects to Begin Work in January

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—Hon. Vincent Massey, Canada's Minister to the United States, will, it is expected, take up his work in Washington some time late in January. Mr. Massey has been in Ottawa for several days and it is understood that he has been arranging details of the Washington legation with the Department of External Affairs.

MILITARY FUNERAL FOR LOCAL VETERAN

Service Will Be Held at Home of Mrs. J. M. McKilligan Saturday Afternoon for Late Mr. Armstrong

The body of the late Mr. Charles Leland Armstrong, who died Tuesday at the Cushman Hospital, Tacoma, will be brought here tomorrow for interment. The preliminary services will be held in Tacoma tonight, and will include a military service by the Maple Leaf Post, American Legion, assisted by members of the British Officers' Club.

The deceased was a member of both Tacoma organizations, having served with the Canadian Expeditionary Force in the 67th Battalion, Western Scots. He enlisted here. He was a member of The Colonel's editorial staff at the time war was declared.

A military escort will accompany the body. Friday morning, to the steamer leaving Seattle for Victoria. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, at 2 p.m., in the home of Mrs. Armstrong's mother, Mrs. J. B. McKilligan, 1753 Rockland Avenue. This service will be under the direction of St. Andrew's Lodge, A.F. & A.M.

Obituary

BRAMBLE—Private funeral service was held at the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock for the late Mrs. Edith Mary Bramble, who passed away at the Royal Jubilee Hospital last Sunday evening. The Rev. A. E. de Nunn, rector of St. Mary's Church, officiated, during which the hymns sung were "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and "Abide With Me." Mr. Myers presiding at the organ. Many beautiful floral tributes covered the casket and hearse. The following acted as pallbearers: Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Winslow, Mr. Hradwood and Mr. Fraser. The remains were laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

TRIPP—A private funeral service was held at the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, yesterday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock for the late Mr. George W. Tripp, who passed away in Vancouver last Friday. The Rev. Daniel Walker conducted a very impressive service. Mrs. S. M. Morton sang a solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought." Mr. Lawton Partington presided at the organ. There were a profusion of beautiful floral designs which covered the casket and hearse bearing testimony to the high esteem in which the late Mr. Tripp was held by his many friends. Messrs. Kenneth Waites, Frederick Grossmith, J. Devine, Victor Casanave, H. Hanson and A. Allen acted as pallbearers. The remains were laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

HOWARD—The death occurred on Tuesday at the Royal Jubilee Hospital of Major L. E. Howard. He was well known in Canada, being the Western Superintendent of the Employment Service of Canada, with headquarters at Winnipeg. The remains are resting at the R. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home, 880 Quadra Street, and will be forwarded by the afternoon boat to Ottawa for interment.

NEILL—The funeral of the late Mrs. Jane Neill, who passed away in this city on Sunday, was held yesterday afternoon from McCall Brothers' Funeral Home. A number of friends attended the service, which was conducted by the Rev. Arthur de B. Owen, during which the hymn, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" was sung. The casket was borne in the chapel with many beautiful flowers.

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Interment was made at the Ross Bay Cemetery, with the following friends as pallbearers: Messrs. J. J. Randolph, H. H. Evans, W. Millard, W. Duval, C. Harris and W. E. Farris.

GOULD—The funeral of the late Mr. John William Gould, who passed away on December 13, took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Mrs. McIntyre, of Vancouver, daughter of the late Mr. Gould, and a few friends, attended the service, which was conducted by the Rev. A. L. Nixon. The pallbearers were Messrs. F. Carlow, G. Farrant, H. Wilson and M. Stone. Interment took place at the Royal Oak Burial Park.

The remains of the late Mr. Charles L. Armstrong, who died at Cushman Hospital, Tacoma, on Tuesday morning, will be brought to Victoria for interment on Friday. The funeral will be held from the residence of Mrs. McKilligan, 1753 Rockland Avenue, on Saturday at 2 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Clay officiating. The late Mr. Armstrong succumbed to an illness indirectly due to injuries received during his war service on the Somme. He is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Jessie McKilligan, of Victoria, and two sons, Charles and John. He was a member of Ardena Lodge, Seattle, and St. Andrew's Lodge, Victoria, A.F. & A.M.; the British Officers' Club; Maple Leaf Post, American Legion; and the G.W.V.A.

Calgary Rink Music Comes From Pittsburgh

CALGARY, Dec. 15.—Pittsburgh last night supplied the music for skaters on a private ice rink in Calgary. The crowd skated to an orchestral number broadcast by KDKA of a Pittsburgh paper.

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Ladies' Lace-Edge Linen Handkerchiefs, each, \$1.00, 75¢ and 50¢	50c	Handsome Embroidered Pillow Slips, boxed in pairs, per pair, \$2.95, \$2.75, \$2.50 and \$2.00	\$2.00
Hand-Made Linen Cluny Doilies, each \$1.00, 85¢, 50¢, 35¢, 25¢ and 20¢	20c	Embroidered Tray Cloths, fine patterns, each, \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00	\$1.00
Hand-Embroidered Madeira Doilies, each, \$1.00, 85¢, 75¢, 50¢ and 35¢	35c	Embroidered Bureau Scarfs and Runners, each \$1.75 and \$1.50	\$1.50
Venetian Lace Doilies, linen centres, each, \$1.25, \$1.00, 85¢ and 75¢	75c	White Turkish Towels, with colored ends, all colors, each, 85¢, 75¢ and 65¢	65c
Hand-Made Cluny Lace Table Centres, \$3.95, \$2.75, \$2.50, \$2.25 and \$2.00	\$2.25	Towel Sets, consisting of one towel and two face cloths, in boxes, per set, complete, \$1.00	\$1.00
Hemstitched Sheets, large size, 80 x 90, per pair, \$5.00	\$5.00	Unbleached Irish Linen Tablecloths, sizes 54 x 54, 70 x 70, 70 x 90, each, \$5.00, \$4.00 and \$2.50	\$2.50
English White Marcella Bedspreads, large size, each, \$8.50, \$7.50 and \$6.50	\$6.50	Bleached Irish Linen Tablecloths, sizes 2 x 2, 2 x 2 1/2, 2 x 3 yards, \$7.50, \$6.50, \$5.50 and \$5.00	\$5.00
Embroidered Linen Baby Pillow Covers, each, \$1.75, \$1.50 and \$1.25	\$1.25	Pure All-Wool Scotch Blankets, per pair, \$16.50, \$14.50, \$11.50 and \$9.50	\$9.50
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Under Cross-Examination He Makes Statements Discrediting Value of Statistics

OTTAWA, Dec. 15.—The cross examination of Mr. D. O. Lewis, "statistical expert" for the Province of British Columbia, in the freight rates investigation before the Board of Railway Commissioners, appears at the close of his ninth day in the box to have entered upon the home stretch and will, in all probability, conclude tomorrow.

Even then the witness will have to submit to re-examination by Mr. G. G. McGeer, his own counsel, who has more than once shown signs of restiveness under the merciless barrage to which his witness has been subjected.

So many and varied are the viewpoints from which his statistics are examined that the results are often confusing and contradictory. Mr. Lewis was driven this afternoon into the statement that "all is theorizing in statistics, especially when you have no comparable base upon which to build."

The anticipated announcement by the Board of the date it would open hearings on the Alberta and Ontario coal rates case was not forthcoming today.

ANNUAL MEETING OF CITY OFFICIALS HELD

Reports for Year Presented and Election of Officers Held—Programme for 1927 Is Discussed

The annual meeting of the City Hall Officials' Association was held at the City Hall yesterday evening, when reports on the year's work were received and election of officers held.

The following are the officers for the ensuing year: Major Kirkpatrick Crockett, of the lands department, president; Mr. Frank Hunter, of the city clerk's office, vice-president; Mr. H. G. Allen, secretary-treasurer; executive, Messrs. Walker, J. W. Whitcomb, H. S. Pringle, Dr. Price and S. L. Wilson.

A good balance on hand was shown in the financial report for the past year. The 1927 programme was discussed and an active year is promised. This organization was formed to deal with matters pertaining to City Hall officials, both in connection with business and social activities.

CALGARY EXPECTS THAW TO COME NOW

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In Manitoba the higher temperature tonight, by a unsettled weather. A strong wind was driving a fine snow before it, hampering street car traffic in Winnipeg and mapping telegraph and telephone wires.

Worse at Fort William Reports from Fort William and Port Arthur, at the head of the lakes, indicated that the storm conditions were becoming worse. The wind in these districts changed from southwest to west late today, and snow was falling. Railways were finding it difficult to operate efficiently, and extra yard engines were required to move the heavy grain trains. Shipping was handicapped by ice which was forming in the harbor, with temperatures at 15 below and expected to fall lower.

Conditions had definitely improved in the Far West. The severe cold snap which had been experienced in parts of British Columbia was definitely over. Temperatures rose well above the freezing point today, and the three inches of snow which fell was rapidly disappearing.

Mississippi Valley CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Thermometers which have flirted with zero weather or under since Sunday west of the Appalachians and north of Kansas ascended a degree or two today, but brought scant relief from unreasonably cold weather.

Not until tomorrow night will the cold wave pass, said the weather bureau, although its back will be broken before morning.

Temperatures today were similar to those of yesterday, sinking to 25 below zero in the northwest and standing about at zero throughout Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. Mercuries recorded marks ranging from zero to 8 above.

Cantonese Government Demands Salt Duties AMOY, China, Dec. 16.—Demand on the salt administration at Foochow to turn over all revenues to the Canton government has been made by the Cantonese. Salt revenues have long been China's greatest source of income and the security for many foreign and domestic loans. They have provided military funds profitably through the imposition of taxes levied by the various armed forces. A tax on salt similar to that obtaining at Foochow, has been controlled here by Amoy local military for nearly two years.

The Canton government today notified the Foochow authorities to discontinue all salt funds in the American Oriental Bank subject to withdrawal by the Cantonese government.

Vancouver Engineers Elect Mr. F. W. Alexander VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—At the annual meeting, held this evening, at the University Club, Mr. F. W. Alexander, district engineer, Canadian Pacific bureau, unanimously was elected chairman of the Vancouver branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada.

Four Men in All Die From Drinking Spirits NELSON, Dec. 15.—Four men, all of them transients, died here last night or early this morning as a result of drinking methylated or Columbian spirits. Edward Ginn, 47, was found dead in the Kootenay Hotel; Clarence Cook, and John Mathew Doyle, taken ill in Nelson jail, and Robert Cameron, in a room in the Klondike Hotel. The latter three succumbed in Kootenay Lake hospital.

Nobel Prize Award to Shaw Pleases Germans

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The awarding of the Nobel prize for literature to George Bernard Shaw meets with general approval in Germany, where he is very popular, though the motives of the prize committee are not believed to be entirely sincere. The Vossische Zeitung said:

"Had not the committee crowned Shaw it would have suffered the same pang of remorse that has gripped the French Academy since Moliere was not elected to membership. Of the French it has been said: 'Our Academy was not as useful to his fame as was he to ours.'"

Officials Indicted

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Thirty-three defendants, including the mayor and the chief of police of Edgewater, N.J., a United States Customs inspector, and a New York City marine police sergeant, were indicted yesterday for conspiracy to violate the Federal Prohibition Law. The indictments named Louis Smith, said to be a buyer of whisky in Montreal, and David Perlo, Montreal.

Prospectors Safe

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—The five prospectors who were lost between Pine Ridge and Hudson in the Red Lake mining district during the terrific blizzard of last Saturday, are safe at Sioux Lookout. It was said in a telegram received here today. Four men of another party are still lost, however. The message read: "Jack Burke, Leo McLeod and three men of the Women Lake Mines, Ltd., are in safety here. There are still four men lost of a different party."

Calcutta Builds Railway For Benefit of Tourists

CALCUTTA, Dec. 15.—The outfitting of Calcutta from the itineraries of four large American touring ships last season has galvanized into action the Indian Railway Board, which now is striving to afford greater facilities for visitors. The main difficulty felt by the tourists was the long journey

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Society and Women's Affairs

At Skating Club

Among the members of the Skating Club who were at the arena last evening were: Mr. and Mrs. Delves, Captain and Mrs. Clarke, Captain and Mrs. Goodlake, Mrs. W. L. Mcintosh, Mrs. Nixon, Mrs. Homer Dixon, Mrs. L. C. Boyd and the Misses B. Phillips, H. and P. Fowler, B. and G. Robertson, Y. Penberton, R. Johnston, K. Macture, L. Michaels, I. Wilcox, M. Evans, J. Pearce, B. Streetfield, D. Harper, D. Gillespie, Matthews, Colonel Mesiter, Major Piddington, Major Sisman and Messrs. R. Mathews, N. Yarrow, H. Lewis, Izard, Rose, Gordon and C. Allen.

Engagement Announced

The engagement of Dr. Allan Fraser, only son of Mrs. Fraser, 81, Charles Street, and the late Dr. R. L. Fraser, to Miss Laura Eng, of San Francisco, formerly of this city, is announced. The marriage will take place on Saturday in the South. After a honeymoon spent at Del Monte, Dr. and Mrs. Fraser will return to the city for Christmas. Dr. Fraser left yesterday afternoon and was accompanied by his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Hay Castle.

Bridge Hostess

Miss Iris Wilcox entertained with two tables of bridge on Tuesday evening at her home in October Mansions, Cook Street, when her guests were the members of "The Eight o'Clock Bridge Club," of which she is a member.

Visiting in Seattle

Miss Ruth Jones, who has been visiting Mrs. Margaret Sayward, is now in Seattle, where she is the guest of Miss Eugenia Fuller. She will leave shortly for California, where she will spend Christmas.

Leaving for South

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Goward, York Place, Oak Bay, are leaving on Sunday for Seattle, en route by train for San Francisco. Before returning to

the city they will visit Pasadena and Del Monte.

Motoring South

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McCarter, and their son and daughter, Cadboro Bay Road, are leaving tomorrow for Port Angeles to motor to San Luis Obispo, California, where they will spend a month or six weeks.

Tea for Visitor

Miss Helen Hart, Cook Street, entertained with two tables of bridge yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Mary Lawson, Trail, B.C. There were additional guests for tea.

Recovers From Accident

His many friends will be pleased to hear that Mr. Ronald Fenwick-Smith, a nephew of Mr. Randolph Stuart, of this city, is now recovering from the serious accident he had in November.

Gone to Australia

Mr. William Kingscott, of Cherry Point, left last night by the Ma. Aorangi for Australia, expecting to be away for about six months.

Returns to Success

Mrs. K. Thornton, who has been visiting friends in the Okanagan, has returned to her home at Saseenox, Sooke Harbor.

Leaves for Winnipeg

Mrs. George Purves, of Alisa Mansions, Cook Street, has left for Winnipeg to visit her parents, and will remain there for the winter months.

Luncheon Hostess

Miss Dorothy Scott, Woodland Crescent, Oak Bay, entertained twelve guests at lunch and bridge yesterday.

Return to Mainland

Mr. and Mrs. C. Warburton Young, of Agassiz, B.C., have returned to the Mainland after spending a week in the city.

Here for Few Days

Mr. A. McI. Paterson, M.P.P. for the Delta, is in the city for the opening of Parliament, and is the guest of Mrs. T. W. Paterson, Uplands.

Return From Seattle

Mayor and Mrs. Carl Pendray and Miss Dorothy Pendray returned to the city yesterday from Seattle, where they spent a few days.

Few Days' Visit

Mr. Ronald Kingham, who has been spending a few days in Vancouver and Seattle, returned to the city yesterday afternoon.

Entertains at Bridge

Miss Inez Ker was hostess at three tables of bridge last evening at her home on St. Charles Street.

Leaving for South

Mrs. A. L. Brownlie will leave this

Aids Her Husband In Labor Campaign



LADY CYNTHIA MOSLEY who is creating a sensation in England in aid of her husband's campaign for the Labor party in the election in March. Lady Mosley has dropped her title for the occasion and in her speech has condemned the "idle rich."

afternoon for Los Angeles, where she will visit friends for a week.

En Route to California

Mr. William M. Taylor is leaving this afternoon for Sacramento on a business trip.

Hosts at Bridge

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Millar, Cook Street, entertained with three tables of bridge last evening.

Leaving for New Zealand

Mr. W. Kingscott, of Cowichan Bay, left on the Aorangi last evening for New Zealand.

Shirley

The members of the Shirley Women's Institute were the guests of Mrs. H. J. Kirby last Saturday afternoon.

In the unavoidable absence of the president, Mrs. O. T. Aspray, vice-president, occupied the chair. Only routine business was taken up. The committee entrusted with the arrangements for the Christmas entertainment reported that everything was in readiness, and that a very generous response had been made with donations amounting to almost \$5.00, which will insure a joyful time to the forty children living in the district. The members then made up all the Christmas stockings required for the decoration of the Christmas tree, after which delicious refreshments were served and a hearty vote of thanks passed to the hostess, before the meeting adjourned.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Milligan spent the week-end in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Milligan have been visiting in Victoria for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Banner and family, accompanied by Mr. J. Burgess, motored up to Campbell River, where they are spending a holiday this week.

The Christmas entertainment will be held at the schoolhouse next Friday at 8 p.m., when a good program will be given by the school children, under the leadership of their teacher, Miss A. S. Morris, after which Santa Claus will pay his welcome visit, and dismantle the tree. The Women's Institute will provide refreshments and a hearty welcome is extended to all.

Sooke

Mr. and Mrs. G. Blight have an visitors for the week, Mrs. Blight's brother, Mr. Robert Hutchison, Mrs. Hutchison, and small son, Robert, all of Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Acreman have moved into one of Mr. Geotell's cottages, where they will reside.

The youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Syrett, who has been ill for some weeks, is now in St. Joseph's Hospital, where he has undergone an operation.

Mr. H. Dilby is around again after an attack of the flu.

Mr. Curtis Muir's cottage is being

renovated for the accommodation of Mrs. Sutherland and daughter Olive, who have recently sold their home to Col. W. H. Holroyd.

Union Bay

The ladies of Union Bay yesterday evening held a linen shower in honor of Miss Jean Reading, the popular member of the Union Bay School staff, who is marrying Mr. Harold Murray, of the Cumberland school, during the Christmas vacation, from the bride's parents' home at 822 Catherine Street, Victoria.

The linen shower was held at the home of Mrs. James Dollar, being arranged jointly by the hostess and Mrs. Morton Thomas. Miss Betty Thomas, in yellow tulle, and Miss Phyllis Dollar, in blue tulle, with silver flowered throws, dragged in a parasol decorated with pink and white crepe frills and overflowing with gifts.

The honeymoon will be spent in Victoria and Gulf dunes, and upon return the couple will take up residence at the Denholm Ranch on the Hyston-Cumberland Road.

Salt Spring Island

The engagement is announced of Margaret Layan, second daughter of the late Mr. Wm. Layan, and Mrs. Layan, of Southern Island, England, to Mr. Harold Tudor Egerton Price, second son of the late Mr. Petley L. A. Price and Mrs. Price, of Mereside Farm, Salt Spring Island.

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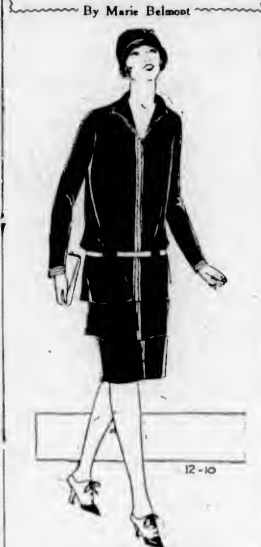
The usual monthly business meeting of Review No. 19, W.M.A., was held last Thursday, there being a good attendance and five new members being initiated. A social evening and banquet followed the nomination and election of officers for the following year.

Mrs. Lawson and her daughter Katherine have returned to their home here after spending the past six months with relatives in Eastern Canada.

Boarding House Keeper (jokingly): "I don't suppose you know what it means to be hungry, Mr. Johnson?" Boarder: "No, but I'm learning."

Fashion Fancies

By Marie Belmont



The dress above is youthful in every line, and the effectiveness of pale silver laid against navy ten must really be seen to be appreciated. A short skirt is made with a tier above its hem, and over this goes the tier, the line of silver laid down the front draws the three together, and further effectiveness is imparted by the silver laid which runs through slits in the dress. A tiny insect of silver is placed at a smart angle on the small navy felt hat.

Your Most Becoming Colors

By DOROTHY STOTE

Grey Hair and Vivid Complexion

For Evening Wear

Although there are four colors that are recommended for evening wear for the mature woman with grey hair and high coloring, these do not entirely limit her choice. She may, if she desires, make her selection from among those shades suggested for sports and afternoon wear. The principal consideration to keep in mind is that colors change and become softer in tone under electric lights, and for this reason dress material of a gown that is required for wear in the evening should be examined under artificial light.

The colors suggested for evening wear are as follows, with the first two named for the blue-eyed woman:

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Medium greyish blue

Fancy

Lariat (pale orange)

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CHILDREN HOPING FOR GRAMOPHONE

The "kiddies" of the Children's Aid Home are hoping that Santa Claus will find room in his large sack of toys for a gramophone, but just in case he forgets there is to be a silver tea at the home on Saturday afternoon from 3:30 till 6:30 o'clock. A musical programme has been arranged and the children are to sell some of the fancy articles which they have been making. There has been an addition to the building of a comfortable study for the older girls, where they may work at their lessons undisturbed. There are at present twenty-five children at the home, and they are looking forward to welcoming many visitors on Saturday.

Fashion Notes

Fur Waistcoats and Mittens
Fur waistcoats and mittens for afternoon wear have appeared on Piccadilly and along Oxford Street. The mittens are made of supple short-length fur. On chilly days the waistcoat is slipped over velvet frocks. Women are wearing the fur waistcoats to afternoon bridge parties instead of brocade coats. The waistcoats are made sometimes from expensive ermine-dyed rabbit, again from mole skin.

Variation in Eton Crop
One of the variations of the Eton crop this season is to have a lock of half drawn from the back underneath the ear. It is not easy to train these back locks to lie perfectly flat, even with the aid of brilliantine, so the English miss has brought out some original savings to help. Now the rebellious locks are passed through a ring small enough to hold it firmly, yet not too small to spoil the line of the hair.

Reveal Belts With Pearls
A revival of feminine interest in Indian bead trimming has inspired the fashionable designers to execute duplicates of the native belts and necklaces with pearls and other precious stones.

New Motoring Fashions
Robinson Crusoé's influence is

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being felt in the new motoring fashions, which include long cross-over coat vests of grey goat fur, coming high up at the throat in the most approved Crusoe manner. The new fur coat-vest is not unlike an elongated waistcoat and reaches a few inches below the edge of the coat under which it is worn.

Polished Steel Again
Marcasite jewelry, those rings and brooches of highly-polished steel that were so popular in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, are the vogue in England again. Genuine antique brooches and rings are bringing high prices in the market, while modern reproductions are equally in evidence.

Cannibalistic Influence
Even the cannibal contributes something to the make-up of the modern English miss. The very newest evening frocks are very similar to

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those worn by the belles of the Solomon Isles. Long ostrich plumes are substituted by the civilized Mayfairite for the tumeric leaves and Hibiscus fibre of the dusky debutante. The bodice worn with the new feather evening dress is tight-fitting and made of embroidered chiffon.

The stock salesman, after painting a beautiful word picture, said: "Now, Mr. Jones, you know this company hasn't got a dollar's worth of watered stock in it. How much are you going to buy?" "Young man," he said, "the next stock I buy is going to have four legs, and I will water it myself."

Macey's 117 View Street are featuring Parker, Waterman and Wahl fountain pens, Eversharp pencils, and imported gift boxes of stationery, this Christmas. (Adv.)



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Aladdin in Japan

"Aladdin in Japan" is the title of a musical play which the pupils of Victoria West School are giving on Friday and Saturday of this week in their auditorium. The production is presented in five scenes, which represent respectively a Japanese tea shop, the treasure cave, Aladdin's palace in Japan, the cottage, and a palace in Africa.

The children who are to take part are as follows: Owen Fairall, Princess Rati; Fred Stokes, Aladdin; Norman Davies, El Chang; Tom Eastick, Genji; Irene Watson, Washi-Washi; eight tea girls; Vena Barker, Celia Lewis, Pearl Hill, Margaret Brachet, Betty McKean, Rena Smith, Beth Stewart and Annie Wilson.

The fairies and flower girls are to be Barbara Daniels, Muriel Farrell, Jean Smith, Vivienne Wood, Doris Fowler, Betty Nicholson, Sheila Sangster, Lily Stevens. The orchestra: Eva Bland, Myrtle Hoy, Louis Patterson, Fred Hayes, Kermit Cameron, Raymond Griffiths, Teddy Marsh, Dallas Munro, Archie Smith, Albert Stokes and George Tate.



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Capt. Albert Baile, Leader of Australian National Band, Recalls Incidents of World Tour

Captain Albert Baile, conductor of the Australian National Band, which left here last night on the "Ma. Amand" for the Antipodes, has many amusing and interesting stories to tell in connection with the three-year world tour which the organization is just concluding. One of the most entertaining of these has to do with an experience in South Africa at a little railway junction called Klip-laas.

Klip-laas lies in the heart of the veldt, an unattractive and lonely settlement, with about fifty white inhabitants and a Kaffir population which straggles off into figures as indefinite as the immeasurable distances which the horizon embraces. At this unattractive junction the band was put off the train and expected to give a programme. They looked at the hall and vaguely wondered where the audience was to sit once the band got inside. Then they saw the programme, made up from information which they had sent in advance. Appended to the usual list of selections was a notice to the effect that the band would be requested, just before the performance began, to give up their seats to the dress circle. They did. The hall afforded a tiny stage, with diminutive dressing-rooms to right and left. There was not room on the stage for the entire band, even standing (as they were forced to do once they gave up their chairs to the dress circle), so Captain Baile put the drummer in one of the tiny dressing-rooms and the trombone player in the other. And there they stood for the two hours' performance, playing with as much good intention as if they had the most comfortable of chairs. The hall was stuffed to smothering point, with the black faces of Kaffirs filling the windows, but the total revenue from the house amounted to less than \$11.

Fantastic Dust Storm.
At another place on the veldt they were giving an outdoor performance when in the distance they saw the red column which heralds the approach of one of the dreaded dust storms. This bore down on them so rapidly and took the musicians so neatly in its path that the music of the "Last composition" which they were playing at the time was cut out of its fastenings as neatly as if it had been clipped out at a single snip by some one's hand. The conductor's own copy was carried aloft and was found next day more than two miles away, and fragments of "Last" were periodically found for days at varying distances. A souvenir of this incident is still pointed out by any member of the band; for underneath the little clip which holds the music in place on the stand is the little piece of white paper which was left behind when the storm ripped the sheets in to the heavens.

Australia's Elated.
Capt. Baile also told The Colonist reporter something about the great national Elatedfest which is held every year at Ballarat, Australia. Instituted twenty-six years ago, this is a direct expression of Australia's great interest in music; it is also a source of inspiration to Australia's musical life, as here, for a whole month every year, musical talent of every description, from all over the Dominion, gathers in friendly competition which has the effect of giving great stimulus to the art of music throughout the whole country. The excellence of the Australian National Band playing the conductor puts down to these Elatedfests, as through these competitions is developed a very high standard of individual as well as ensemble talent upon which the professional men and amateur organizations alike can draw.

The band-section competition in the Elatedfest lasts an entire week. A cornet player, for instance, such as Arthur Stender, who played here yesterday with the Australian band, would have to beat eighty-five or ninety competitors, playing one after the other, before he could attain the coveted national prize which Stender holds. The same experience would apply to cornets, horns, etc. This ultimately makes for a remarkable supply of fine players, as hosts of young musicians are constantly preparing themselves to enter these annual competitions.

Get Acclimatized.
So keen is the interest that competitors have been known to go to Ballarat, which has an altitude of some four or five thousand feet, five or six months before the Elatedfest in order to get acclimatized by the time the contest begins. To win a medal at Ballarat gives a singer or instrumentalist a good standing. But even this would hardly explain, in a country which has not yet developed this Elatedfest spirit, the willingness of a band such as that which played here yesterday to meet an expense of \$5,000 in order to get the stimulus and experience of ten days at the Ballarat contest.

"Our mission in this world tour is chiefly to advertise Australia and the Australian musical standing," said Captain Baile, who will have been away from his home town, Sydney, for three years and two months when he returns here next April. They started their present tour in March, 1924, and in the intervening time the genial conductor has stood on his little rostrum five hundred times, for two of three hours at a stretch.

"I have been told that I do not go through any gymnastic contortions when I conduct. But you have only to see the box on which I stand to find the explanation," said Captain Baile, pointing out a little rectangle measuring eighteen inches by eighteen. "It is necessary for a conductor to keep fairly quiet on a thing that size."

Friendly Help Appeal

Does any grown-up person remember the thrill of receiving in the Christmas stockings, long ago, a pair of nice warm woolen mitts, a knitted muffler, a new cap, or, from a parcel found just underneath the stocking, a new overcoat or a pair of strong leather boots that would keep the water out in any kind of weather? If there are any such grown-up folk, and they have an outburst of the generous sympathy for the small boy or girl who hasn't any of these comfortable cold-weather things, they are invited by the Friendly Help to send one or more of the cherished articles to the rooms in the Market Building, Corner Market Street, during the next few days. The Christmas hamper

Orange King of West Prepares for Season



Above is a photograph of the Orange King of the West, R. Robertson, of Vancouver. He is seen holding boxes of his Japanese Oranges. For the Christmas Season Throughout the West, Mr. Robertson Imported Thirty-Two Million of These Oranges, Approximately 280 Carloads.

are now being made up, and there are many families who are the children need one or other of all these things to keep them warm and healthy during the coming months. Or, if it is too much trouble to get the articles, a subscription may be sent and Miss Lawson or some other member of the committee will do the necessary purchasing.

There are many other things which would be very welcome in the hamper: Jam, fresh fruit, oranges, nuts, or any of the other little things which would go well with the Christmas dinner. There are numbers of homes which because of unemployment of the breadwinner, sickness, or other cause would be without any festive celebration whatever were it not for the ministrations of friends giving either directly or through some of the societies like the Friendly Help.

T.V.A. DANCE PROVES ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

Many Dancers Present at Delightful Affair Given at Alexandra House

The fifth annual ball of the Tuberculosis Post of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., held last evening at the Alexandra ballroom was a greatly enjoyed affair. The attractive ballroom was hung with flags and pennants. P.T.A.'s eight-piece orchestra played the dance music and responded to many encores. In the absence of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, Mr. A. M. D. Fairbairn, private secretary, acted as official patron.

The committee in charge deserves the greatest credit for their efforts on behalf of the undertaking, and among those who so ably assisted were Mrs. Crocker, president of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the association; Mrs. Booth and Mrs. Hamilton; Mr. N. R. Ballantine, president, and Messrs. H. R. Dawes, F. V. Banks, C. V. Laycock, R. Smith, C. J. Campbell, J. C. Spinks and T. S. Harrison. Supper was served downstairs and the dance continued until 2 a.m.

Women's Clubs And Societies
Harvey-Boggs Chapter
The regular meeting of the Valentine Harvey-Boggs Chapter was held on Tuesday evening when arrangements were made to pack hampers. The sum of \$5.15 was voted towards the hampers and \$2 for the Travelers' Aid.

Sunday School Treasures
The combined Sunday schools of the Oak Bay United Church will hold their Christmas entertainment and treat in the church on Saturday at 7:30 o'clock.

Thirteen Are Fined

Charged with being found in a common gaming house, to wit, a gambling club, thirteen gamblers pleaded guilty through counsel, Mr. William C. Morphy, in the City Police Court yesterday, and were each fined the sum of \$10. Chung, another Chinaman similarly accused, pleaded not guilty, saying he was employed by a Chinese paper, and that he was in the gaming house on a matter of business. His case was dismissed.

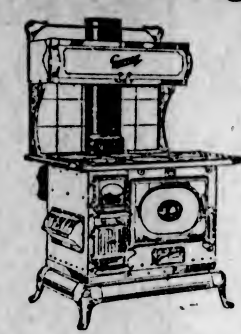
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BEEKEEPERS TACKLE PROBLEM OF DISEASE

40,336 Colonies in Ontario Inspected for American Foul Brood During Past Season

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—During the past year 40,336 colonies of bees were inspected for American Foul Brood in this Province. Provincial Apiarist F. Eric Milten informed the Ontario Beekeepers' Association in session at the Prince George Hotel. Of this total 4,134 colonies were found to be diseased and of these 3,184 were destroyed. "Unfavorable weather conditions made inspection work very difficult for us," said Professor Milten, "but beekeepers are beginning to appreciate the seriousness of the disease situation and in most cases give every co-operation. Our greatest difficulty is to secure a sufficient number of experienced inspectors."

Our policy in the future will be to confine the inspection work very largely to those counties that have asked for a clean-up." The only certain method for the control of Foul Brood in the opinion of this authority was the destruction of the contents of all infected colonies. The grant for inspection work was increased from \$5,000 to \$15,000 by the Provincial Minister of Agriculture. Last year, stated Professor Milten, \$4,161 had been received for the registration of apiaries.

Clean-Up Measures.
Clean-up measures that had been carried out in Peterboro, and adjoining counties was described by Mr. T. H. Shield, of Peterboro. In 1925, said Mr. Shield, 1,254 colonies had been examined in Peterboro County, of which 130 were found to be infected, and destroyed. This year, of 1,235 colonies examined, only nine were found to be infected.

Mr. C. B. Gooderham, Dominion Apiarist, in discussing the research work in apiary problems being carried out by the Dominion Experimental Farms System, strongly advised beekeepers to use quadruple cases with four-inch packing for wintering their bees. Hives should face the north, and a windbreak was a real asset. For winter feeding, safe honey to use, while sugar syrup was still more satisfactory. Mr. Gooderham stated that forty-eight projects of beekeeping research were under way on the various experimental farms.

Swarm Control.
Mr. George R. Demuth, of Medina, Ohio, editor of *Gleanings*, gave an interesting and informative talk on the problem of swarm control. Swarming, Mr. Demuth pointed out, was stimulated by certain environmental conditions within the hive,

which the beekeeper could influence. The instinct for swarming must be subordinated to the instinct to store honey. Congestion of quarters should be prevented, and by giving the bees extra room for expansion they build themselves in their new quarters and were less likely to swarm. The old idea that swarming was necessary was no longer held by the intelligent beekeepers, said Mr. Demuth. Often it was more expedient and more economical to build up new colonies with bees imported from the Southern States.

Falls Three Stories

CALGARY, Dec. 15.—Falling three stories down the elevator shaft while at work at Spillers' Mill yesterday, Morris Chadleigh received injuries from which he may die.

What shall I give HIM?

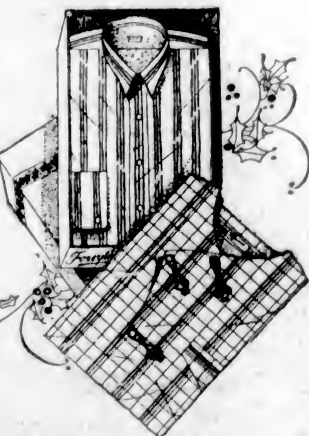


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CAVE MAN HUNTED BEARS WITH CLUB

PRIMITIVE MAN SHOWED INTELLIGENCE IN ATTACKING MONSTERS

Research Work in Alps Establishes Courage of Primitive Human Being

SAINT GALL, Switzerland, Dec. 15.—The "Cave Man of the Alps," the intrepid hunter of a hundred thousand years ago, possessed no small degree of intelligence when, armed with only his trusty club, he overpowered gigantic beasts in their own lair.

Discoveries made by the party sent to Europe by the American School of Prehistoric Research, under the direction of Prof. George Grant MacCurdy, of Yale University, have established that point.

Clubs Only Weapons

The primitive culture of the man who lived during the last interglacial period in the rocky caverns of the mountains, sometimes at an elevation of 2,500 metres above the sea level, is shown by the evidence that although forced to rely on clubs exclusively for hunting, he was not inferior to the Neanderthal man as a hunter. There was no flint in the region in which he lived and he had to use inferior stone of very little service as far as providing weapons was concerned.

His most common game was the huge cave bear. To modern man, using firearms to hunt much smaller animals, the performance of the prehistoric hunter against the creature is accepted as proof that the heavy skull of the early man covered a certain amount of grey matter.

Largely a Plant Eater

The animal had started years before as a normal sized bear, but the high mountain air or perhaps the food caused him to become far larger than the grizzly and about as big as the great Alaskan bears of today. His teeth were terrible in size and strength, yet he was largely a plant eater and with his wide, short and almost voracious snout, his extraordinarily high and straight forehead, he must have had a curiously mild and open countenance, the scientists say. It seems likely to them that he would have remained a calm, philosophical beast had he been left undisturbed.

The usual method of attack seems to have been hitting the bear with a wooden club on the base of the sensitive snout to stun him, then despatching him.

ing him. A certain number of the animals' skulls show the nose crushed, usually on the left side, indicating that the hunters were predominantly right-handed.

Made Tools From Bones

Sometimes the sound was heard and in such cases it remains an open question whether the hunter escaped his prey. Dodging an infuriated, wounded bear, the size of a healthy ox, with no other protection than a wooden club, or a handy stone, had the elements of exciting sport. The bear furnished not only food and clothing for the cave man but also a great number of tools. The bones, especially the small bone of the leg below the knee, made useful implements. In fact, chamois hunters in this vicinity today employ a similar bone in skinning their game.

GATE 'CRASHING' FINE ART AT MOVIE STUDIO

Stolid Studio Gate Guardians Are Expert Judges of Human Nature

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Dec. 15.—A cat may look at a queen, but it is a cat's paw that gets the gatekeepers who guard the "queens" of movieland.

Chosen because of their ability to judge humans, and enforce judgment, the stolid studio gatekeepers would-be visitors and turn them away if their business is not imperative and of interest to the studio. Producers and directors say that if a single player is interrupted, the entire production is delayed. Every unit on the lot—electricians, cameramen, property men, assistants—must wait until all are ready to proceed. Also it has been observed that a visitor's gallery impairs the quality of the players' work. Actors, they say, are incapable of doing their best while the curious eyes of strangers are upon them.

Offer Many Excuses

Novel excuses are offered by those who would gain admittance to the studios. Many would like to talk to their friends among the players, while some assert they were college room-mates of some of the cast.

Impersonation of famous characters often is attempted. One applicant declared he was President Coolidge traveling in disguise, while a girl nearly persuaded the doorman that she was a princess of Denmark. This self-styled actor of Danish nobility, studio attaches say, presented documents printed in Danish to support her claim. A tiny union stamp of a Los Angeles printer, however, exploded her hopes.

Prince George Pictured With C.P.R. Chief



Prince George as He Posed for the Camera With President Beatty of the C.P.R. at Westmount on Route to Saint John.

Health and Diet Advice

By DR. FRANK MCCOY

A Simple Cure For the "Dope Habit"

There are two classes of those who are suffering from the dope habit: The ones who are willing to go to any extreme to get a thrill and go to the other who have developed the habit after their physician has continued to administer opiates to control pain.

For the former, I cannot offer much of a cure because it is an impossibility to change the type of mind of the true addict who does not want to be permanently cured. These unfortunate addicts should be well cared for in a public institution and provided with a reasonable amount of drugs to enable them to do useful work as long as they live. They are undoubtedly very dangerous to society and delight in making converts of other thrill seekers who might be called borderline cases and who could be saved to society by a small amount of constructive education.

Useless Attempts

It seems utterly useless to spend effort and money in trying to convert these degenerated nervous wrecks who always return after a "cure" to the same vicious habits and practices. This type has not materially increased in numbers in the last ten years. For a short time after the war, there was an alarming increase, but this has not continued and we still have the same problem before us of controlling these dangerous disciples of the drug habit. Let us use the greatest amount of education where it will do the most good, and that is with those who sincerely want to be permanently cured.

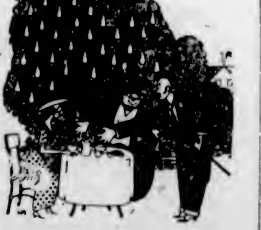
Morphine, cocaine, heroin and other sedative drugs are used by the physician to control pain and produce anaesthesia locally when it is necessary to injure the nerves by surgical measures. The conscientious physician will always hesitate to start using these drugs on account of their toxic effect, and also because of the danger of the patient contracting a venereal disease. In some diseases, and especially in the case of accidents, it is often necessary to use these drugs to keep the patient comfortable while nature attempts to bring about a restoration of normal function. If removed, the pain is not speedily relieved. This, while being helpful to the patient in many ways, is also the real cause of a great deal of toxicosis which must eventually be cured.

Sure and Speedy

A sure and speedy removal of these toxins will take place as the drug is gradually decreased, if the patient is put on a diet of acid fruits. Only one fruit at a meal should be used, such as oranges, grapes, apples, cherries, peaches or any of the other acid fruits. The liver will be able to regain its normal function and all of the excess poisons will be eliminated by the system if this fruit diet is strictly adhered to for two or three weeks. Other suitable eliminative measures should also be used, such as copious enemas, sponges and sweat baths. As this elimination is increased, the desire for the drug will quickly leave and the patient will develop an aversion towards its use. As a normal diet is introduced great care should be taken to avoid any irritating food, or any combination of food that will produce stomach or intestinal irritation. This is a sure and speedy cure which will be welcomed by anyone who is in earnest in their desire to stop the use of habit-forming drugs.

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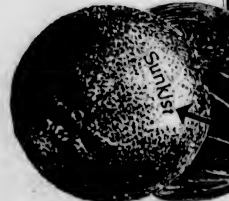
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—Main Floor, H.B.C.

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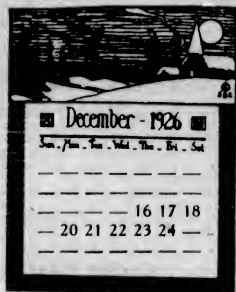
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For Today's Shoppers

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English-Made Quilted Satin Slippers, with padded inner soles and soft buckskin outer soles. Choice of various colors. All sizes. Regular \$2.00. Morning Special, per pair, \$1.49.

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Reprint Novels, 69c

A wide selection of latest Novels by well-known authors, cloth binding. Regular 89c. Morning Special, each, 69c.

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Men's Rayon Silk and Flannel Mufflers, \$1.49 Each

Close Knitted Rayon, in new color stripes; also All-Wool Scotch Flannel Mufflers in new novelty designs. Regular \$1.75. Morning Special, each, \$1.49.

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200 French Wool Novelty Dress Lengths at \$2.98 Each

A wonderful offering in Pure Wool Novelty Dress Lengths, in two-tone stripe effects, checks and plaids. Shown in beautiful color combinations. Each length neatly boxed for Christmas giving. Dress lengths of 2 1/4 yards. Regular \$3.98. Morning Special, each, \$2.98.

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Children's Cutlery Sets, 79c

Santa Claus Sets, consisting of white or colored handled knife with sharp steel or plated blade, non-stain spoon and fork. Morning Special, per set, 79c.

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7-Piece Wine Sets, \$1.39

Shown in etched floral design, one covered decanter and six stem wine glasses. Regular \$2.00. Morning Special, \$1.39.

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Made by Devilbiss. Choice of several colors. Morning Special, each, 89c.

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Perfumes of Recognized Quality

Coty's Perfumes—Fragrances, \$1.00. Individual bottles, \$1.50, \$2.50 and \$5.00. Fancy Packages, \$7.50, \$9.00 and \$10.00.

Choice of Seven Odors

Houbigant's Perfumes—Quelques Fleurs, \$1.00, \$2.50, \$4.00 and \$7.50.

Sublime, \$2.50. Buddha Sublime, \$12.50.

Houbigant's Perfumes, \$7.50, \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Fancy Packages at, \$2.00 and \$3.50.

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French Ivory and New Tone finish in Brushes, Combs and Mirrors. Beauty and quality make these sets very popular. \$22.50, \$26.10, \$32.25 and \$37.50.

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Give Her a Mesh Bag

Novelty Tapestry Mesh Bags in gift and silver, with colored block designs, strong frames, plain or engraved, chain handle. Prices, \$3.95 to \$4.50.

—Main Floor, H.B.C.

What more delightful gift could you select than some of this Dainty Rayon Silk Underwear? Or for your own requirements why not take advantage of these special low prices? There are hundreds of pieces to be offered, including vests, bloomers, princess slips and step-in suits, but the values are so exceptional that brisk selling will surely result. Do not delay—make your selections early to avoid disappointment. All garments will be packed in gift boxes if desired. Sale commences this morning at nine sharp.

RAYON SILK BLOOMERS

Excellent value are these Rayon Bloomers, shown in peach, mauve, pink, Nile and white; medium size only. Special at, \$1.39.

RAYON SILK BLOOMERS

Heavy quality Rayon silk with satin stripe. Shown in grey, brown, Copenhagen, sand, lavender green, purple and navy. Special at, per pair, \$1.69.

RAYON SILK STEP-IN SUITS

Serviceable garments in good quality Rayon silk. Shown in orchid, Nile, sunni and white. Special, \$2.98.

RAYON SILK BLOOMERS

Harvey make, heavy quality Rayon silk, full cut bloomers with pleats down sides. Shown in sunni, June rose, peach, orchid, Nile, pink and black. Also "Bobette" bloomers for the flapper, in Nile, peach, pink, golden pheasant and apricot. Special at, per pair, \$2.69.

RAYON SILK PRINCESS SLIPS

Good Quality Rayon Silk Slips in peach, lavender green, grey, sand, jade, alcazar and black. Specially priced at, each, \$2.49.

RAYON SILK VESTS

In plain or rib effects, opera top. Shown in mauve, peach, Nile, pink, salmon and white; sizes 36 to 42. Special at, 79c.

—2nd Floor, H.B.C.

Special Bargains in Women's Fur-Trimmed Coats

Velour Coats, Values to \$29.50, for \$16.95

Smart styles in Velour Coats, with side trimmings of plaids, stitching, etc. Have large fur collars of Thibetina, Arctic hare and French seal. Shown in shades of roseash, chili, henna, pansy and navy. Sizes 16 to 38. Special at, \$16.95.

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Made from heavy wool velour in straight line styles, with large collar and cuffs of moulton. Choose from grey, fallow, roseash and other new shades. Sizes 16 to 40. Special at, \$19.95.

Novelty Tweed and Velour Coats, Values to \$49.50, for \$24.95

Very smart Coats in novelty tweed, plaids and velours. Have handsome collars of rich fur. Lined with gloria silk and satin de luxe. Shown in smart subdued colors. Sizes 16 to 42. Special at, \$24.95.

—2nd Floor, H.B.C.

Special Thursday Offerings From the Silk Section

Pure Silk Crepe de Chine

40 inches wide; shown in all the wanted shades. Per yard, \$1.88.

Black Duchesse Satin

With a rich lustrous finish, 35 inches wide. Per yard, \$1.00.

High-Grade Spun Silks

29 inches wide; all colors. Per yard, 98c.

Black Chiffon Silk Velvets

38 inches wide. Regular \$5.50. Special at, per yard, \$3.98.

British Spun Silks

Ideal for dresses and lingerie; 36 inches wide. Per yard, \$1.98.

Striped Spun Silks

Shown in two-tone striped effects; 29 inches wide. Per yard, \$1.00.

—Main Floor, H.B.C.



Cosy Gift Slippers For Every Member of the Family

Women's Satin Slippers

With lambwool inner soles and turn-leather outer soles; shown in a range of popular colors. All sizes. Priced at, per pair, \$1.95.

Women's Felt Slippers

Shown in plain and novelty styles, in a variety of desired colors. Sizes 3 to 8. Per pair, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Women's Woolen Slippers

Artic Woolen Slippers, in plain or plaid colors, wool lined, turn leather soles. All sizes. Per pair, \$2.45.

Women's Kid Slippers

Soft brown and black kid, trimmed with fur and lined with lambwool, have turn leather soles. All sizes. Per pair, \$2.50.

Women's Boudoir Slippers

In brown, black and grey, with lambwool pom-pom; rubber heels. All sizes. Priced, per pair, \$1.45.

Children's Felt Slippers

Strap style, with bunny and bedtime patterns. All sizes. Per pair, \$1.00 to \$1.25.

Children's Felt Slippers

With fur trimming, leather soles. Various colors. Per pair, \$1.15 and \$1.25.

Children's Felt Slippers

Plain and plaid patterns, strap style, with turn-leather soles. All sizes. Per pair, \$1.00 to \$1.25.

Men's Kid Slippers

In brown and black; Everett style, with turn-leather soles. All sizes. Per pair, \$3.50.

Men's Leather Slippers

Brown leather slippers in Everett style, with leather soles. All sizes. Per pair, \$2.25 to \$2.75.

Men's Arctic Woolen Slippers

Everett and turn-over cuff styles, plain and plaid patterns, leather soles. All sizes. Per pair, \$1.25 to \$2.75.

Boys' Leather Slippers

Everett style, in brown only, with leather soles; all sizes. Per pair, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

Boys' Arctic Woolen Slippers

Plain and plaid patterns with leather soles. All sizes. Per pair, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Blankets and Comforters

Boxed for Christmas Giving

Fine White Wool Blankets

Made from high-grade thoroughly scoured pure wool yarns with that soft lofty finish so much desired. Finished with blue borders. Size 72 by 90. Per pair, \$22.50.

English Down Comforters

Extra well filled with down and ventilated. Covered with fine quality cambric and finished with satin panels in contrasting colors; size 66 by 72. Per pair, \$13.50.

—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Fur Coats of Unusual Beauty For Misses and Small Women

Each coat listed below is specially suited for the miss or woman of the smaller type. They are fashioned in the smartest of the new styles, and the best furs only have been used.

One Silver Muskrat

A captivating model; skins arranged in dovetail design with collar of matching fox; lined with soft crepe in harmonizing shade. Price is \$275.00.

One Smart Model in Brown

One of the season's favorites; unusual skin arrangement, attractively lined. Price \$275.00.

One Baby Marmot

In light brown mink shade; skins arranged in horizontal stripes; a charming coat. Price \$190.00.

One Model in Natural Nutria

The soft brown tones of this fur and its lightness of weight makes it the season's favorite. Price \$390.00.

One Model in Cocoa Caracul

With wolf collar and cuffs in matching shade. Price \$175.00.

French Seal Coat

In shadow stripe skin arrangement; collar of luxurious brown fox. Price \$175.00.

Beaverine Coat

Attractive style. Price \$115.00.

One Seal Coney Coat

With natural muskrat collar and cuffs. Price \$89.50.

—2nd Floor, H.B.C.

Roasters for Christmas Baking

Double Roasters

Large Oval Double Roasters, with inset tray, finished in grey enamel and put up in gift boxes. Price \$2.25.

Black Iron Roasters

Oval shape, self-basting. Prices, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

Wear-Ever Double Roasters

Made of aluminum, in oblong shape, with inset tray; two sizes. Regular \$4.95 for, \$3.95. Regular \$6.10 for, \$4.95.

—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Christmas Groceries and Table Supplies

Hudson's Bay Company's Family Blend Tea, packed in holly wrapped neat wooden containers. A most acceptable Christmas gift.

2 1/2-lb. box, \$1.75.

5-lb. box, \$3.45.

10-lb. box, \$6.85.

H. B. C. Luxurious Blend Tea, 1/2-lb. pkg., \$1.00.

H. B. C. Epicure Blend Tea, holly wrapped; per lb., \$1.50.

New Season's Smyrna Table Eggs, per lb., 25c, 30c and 35c.

New Season's Spanish Table Raisins, per package, 40c, 50c, 65c.

Rich Christmas Plum Puddings, each, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.75 and \$2.00.

Ocean Spray Brand Cranberry Sauce, ready to use; per tin, 35c.

Tea Garden Brand Cranberry Sauce, per jar, 50c.

Raffetto's Fresh Chestnuts, fancy light syrup, for stuffing turkeys or other poultry, No. 3 tin, \$1.25.

Canada Dry Ginger Ale, 1 dozen carton, \$2.90.

Adams Ginger Ale, 1 dozen carton for, \$2.90.

Schweppes' Imported Ginger Ale, per dozen, \$2.90.

Ye Olde London Ginger Wine, per bottle, 50c.

Fairall's Ginger Wine, per bottle, 40c.

Fine Old Port Wine, unfermented; per bottle, 45c.

Black Cherry Wine, bottle, 45c.

—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Christmas Crackers

Nine O'Clock Special

150 Only, Boxes Bright Red and Yellow and Red Crackers, in attractive designs. Containing musical toys, novelties, caps, etc. Regular 60c per box. While they last, 47c.

—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Christmas Novelties and Candy

Pascall's Parcel Stores, containing small bottles of candy, scales, acrop and cash box. Each, 50c.

65c, \$1.10, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$5.00.

Chocolate Christmas Bells at, each, 50c.

Silver Card Cradle, containing twin chocolate dolls. Each, 25c.

Card Cradle and Chocolate Doll, each, 20c.

Cadbury's Assorted Chocolates, in fancy boxes. Each, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$3.00.

Rowntree's Assorted Chocolates, packed in beautiful boxes. Each, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00.

Fancy Christmas Candy, per lb., 25c, 30c and 40c.

—Main Floor, H.B.C.

Fresh Meat Specials for Today

Sirloin Steak, per lb., 25c.

Shoulder Lamb Chops, per lb., 25c.

Rib Lamb Chops, per lb., 40c.

Loin Pork Chops, per lb., 35c.

Loin Veal Chops, per lb., 30c.

Fresh Fowl, per lb., 35c.

Fresh Rabbit, per lb., 25c.

Prime Rib Roast, per lb., 19c.

Shoulders of Lamb, per lb., 24c.

Boneless Rolled Ribs, per lb., 20c.

Boneless Rolled Veal, per lb., 20c.

and 25c.

Rumps of Veal, per lb., 25c.

Loins of Veal, per lb., 25c.

Fillet of Veal, per lb., 30c.

Salt Mackerel, per lb., 15c.

Salt Herring, per lb., 12 1/2c.

Spouse's Mild Kippers, 2 lbs. for 25c.

Golden Ray Fillets, per lb., 25c.

Pinnan Haddock, per lb., 20c.

—Lower Main Floor, H.B.C.

Today Is 95c Day in Toytown

Here is your opportunity to save money on your Toy purchases. Numerous articles of which the following are only a few have been specially reduced for this One-Day Sale:

Dressed Dolls

15-Inch Fully Dressed Dolls, with sleeping eyes and curly hair. Price

95c

Assorted Plush Animals on Wheels

Cats, dogs, bears and rabbits. Price

95c

Wooden Horses

Complete with wood man. Price

95c

Upright Steam Engines

Price

95c

Undressed Kidoline Dolls

14-Inch Undressed Dolls, light or dark hair, sleeping eyes. Price

95c

Unbreakable Romper Clad Dolls

Price

95c

Squeaking Teddy Bears

15 inches high; made in light plush. Price

95c

See What Santa Has in His 25c Surprise Bag

He has some wonderful surprises in that big bag of his. Ask mother to let you purchase a ticket at the cash desk for 25c, then give the ticket to Santa yourself, put your hand in the bag and then see what you get. Santa will be at home between half-past two and five every afternoon this week.

Mechanical Toys

Motor Bicycles, Bing Airplanes, Trolleys, Buses, Farm Tractors; also Train Sets, consisting of engine, tender, two cars and circular track. Price

95c

Games

Basket Weaving and Paper Making, Picture Puzzles, gaily painted Pins, Horseshoe, Billy Whiskers, Animal Games, the Silent Teacher, and others. Price

95c

Tool Sets

Consisting of mallet, level, hammer, chalk, screw driver, in wood box. Price

95c

Talking Telephones

Price

95c

China Tea Sets

In gold band design; set includes teapot, sugar, cream and three cups and saucers. Price

95c

Tinker Toy

In tin container, makes hundreds of different models. Price

95c

Picture Blocks

Price

95c

Jack-o'-Lantern Paint Boxes

Price

95c

Colored Rubber Balls

Price

95c

Horses and Wagons

In gay colors. Price

95c

Rapid Fire Cannons

Complete with ammunition. Price

95c

Glass Fruit Sets

Bowl and six nappies. Price

95c

Glass Water Sets

Jug and six glasses. Price

95c

Painting and Drawing Outfits

Price

95c

Easel Blackboards

With counting frame at top. Strongly constructed wood frame.

Regular \$1.25, for **95c**

Dolls' Laundry Sets

Tub, wringer and washboard, complete for

95c

Dolls' Kitchen Cabinets

With top shelves and lower cupboards, containing four packets of household cooking articles.

Regular \$1.25, for **95c**

Aluminum Tea Sets

3 cups and saucers, 3 spoons, sugar and cream and teapot, for

95c

Tinsel Decoration

30 yards for

95c

NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

Colonist Meet Shells in Important Hockey Match

Leading Clubs Will Clash at Willows Pond Tomorrow Night at 9 o'clock—Tillicums Meet Navy in Opening Encounter.

Tomorrow night's hockey fixtures are:

8 o'clock—Tillicums vs. Navy.

9 o'clock—Colonist vs. Shells.

With the Colonist and the Shells, the two undefeated teams in the Victoria Amateur Hockey League, meeting at the Willows pond tomorrow night, followers of the puck-chasing game are looking forward to a battle royal. The newspapermen found the Navy an easy mark when they were minus their net guardian, while the Shells took the count of the Tillicums by a 2-0 score in a very hard-fought contest.

The oilmen, who last year won the city title, are just as strong as they were last year, while their opponents, who were one of the leading contenders, have a greatly strengthened lineup this season.

Stanley and Belcher on the defence with Goodacre and Temple in the forward line are the leading lights of the Colonist team.

The Shells defence, which consists of Tuckwell and Burnett, with Stuart guarding the hump, presents a strong opposition, and the Colonist forwards will have to work their combination plays if they wish to bore through and register a win.

The Tillicums and the Navy will open the evening programme when they meet at eight o'clock. This game is expected to be keenly contested, and followers of the Navy team look forward to their boys putting up a better fight. The Tillicums have the makings of a good team and can be relied upon to give a good account of themselves. They have some fine stickhandlers who showed that they knew something of the game when they met the Shells in the league opener, and tomorrow night they will be out to chalk up their first win at the expense of the Navy.

Clark sails in quest of title.

Best British Flyweight Since Jimmy Wilde, Will Fight Fidel La Barba in New York.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Elky Clark, of Glasgow, British and European flyweight champion, has sailed for the United States to fight Fidel La Barba, of Los Angeles, for the world flyweight title at Madison Square Garden, January 21.

Clark, rated the best 112-pound Briton has produced since Jimmy Wilde, will attempt to bring back the championship which Wilde lost at the Polo Grounds, New York, in 1923 to the late Pancho Villa. The Briton obtained a temporary release from a contract to fight Alf Barber for the Londale title belt here in order to concentrate on the La Barba match.

Since the death of Villa, La Barba has been recognized generally as the world's flyweight champion as a result of a victory over Frankie Conero, of New York, who held the American title. The winner of the Clark-La Barba bout, however, will have undisputed claim to the world's championship. The match will be at twenty rounds by a special ruling of the State Athletic Commission, which ordinarily compels title bouts to be at fifteen rounds.

La Barba has been a professional only since 1924, when he won the Olympic flyweight championship as an amateur.

Badminton Tournament Is Won by St. Mark's

The "A" team of the Memorial Hall Badminton Club visited the St. Mark's Badminton Club at their hall on Tuesday evening. The tournament was very closely contested, many of the games going to set point. The total score was: Memorial Hall 5, St. Mark's 8.

The results of the individual games, St. Mark's players being first named, were:

Men's Doubles

Prentice and Blake, 15; Bayers and Williams, 15.

Blake and Huxtable, 12; Potts and Fieldman, 7.

Blake and Prentice, 15; Bayers and Williams, 11.

Prentice and Huxtable, 15; Fieldman and Bayers, 12.

Ladies' Doubles

Mrs. Blake and Miss Harley, 15; Mrs. Bigger and Mrs. Harwin, 14.

Mrs. Pitts and Mrs. Hodgkinson, 4; Miss Pollard and Miss McVittie, 15.

Mixed Doubles

Mrs. Blake and Prentice, 14; Miss Pollard and Bayers, 18.

Mrs. Bigger and Blake, 18; Miss Bigger and Fieldman, 14.

Mrs. Pitts and Prentice, 13; Mrs. Darwin and Potts, 11.

Mrs. Blake and Huxtable, 15; Miss McVittie and Williams, 15.

Mrs. Hodgkinson and Hodgkinson, 10; Mrs. Dick and Baker, 15.

Mrs. Blake and Blake, 15; Mrs. Darwin and Potts, 4.

Mrs. Hodgkinson and Hodgkinson, 6; Mrs. Dick and Baker, 15.

Bowling Results

On Arcade Alleys

In a City League bowling fixture rolled on the Arcade Alleys last night the Colonist took two games from the Cardinals.

Bert Pickup, of the Ioners, with a 200 score, was high single man, while Hawkins, of the winners, with 527 pins to his credit headed the list for the three games.

The complete scores are as follows:

Colonist

G. Chislett 142 148 131—421

C. Motion 153 154 129—436

J. Matson 191 136 177—504

Low score 98 117 139—354

A. Hawkins 184 183 257—624

Totals 788 739 734—2261

Cardinals

B. Pickup 164 117 200—481

P. Miller 151 153 182—486

O. Barton 110 117 150—377

A. Riddle 200 123 144—467

G. Morley 98 142 130—370

Totals 723 662 636—2021

"Tuffy" Davis Is Leaving Ladysmith

LADYSMITH, Dec. 15.—The local Coast League soccer team is losing the services of one of its best players in the departure of "Tuffy" Davis for Seattle, where the popular centre-forward will in future reside. Davis was recognized as one of the best of the forwards in the Province, being a terror to opposing goalies, and his place in the Ladysmith eleven will be hard to fill.

Champions Not Running True to Form Yet



MONTREAL MAROONS
Champions of the National Hockey League, are experiencing a bad slump, but the season is still young. In the above group are shown, left to right, top: Seibert, Broadbent, Emma, Durrin, Munro, Noble, Benedict, Stewart. Below: Phillips, Beaudry, Carson, Dismore.

Edmonton Team Upsets Home Club's Calculations at Calgary, Scoring Five to Four—Moose Jaw Makes It Seven to Four at Saskatoon

Three new players for Team

Montreal Maroons

Secure Three New Players for Team

MONTREAL, Dec. 15.—Three new players will report to Montreal Maroons as part of Manager Eddie Gerard's efforts to bolster up his team. They are "Pat" Walsh, goalkeeper; Babe Donnelly, defense man, and Woodruff, a left-winger, all former Soo Greyhounds, but recently with the Detroit Club of the American Hockey League.

Billiard Match Is Won by McMillan

Ex-Champion of Canada Defeats Sid Boys by Large Margin—Monopolizes Play in Final Session

VANCOUVER, Dec. 15.—Jack McMillan demonstrated his ability to knock more points out of the little white balls than Sid Boys, Western Canada English billiard champion, when he secured his 2,500 points in the challenge match here tonight, while his opponent was compiling 3,063. The final block was played tonight.

The ex-champion of Canada continued his brilliant play and monopolized the session. He carried an unfinished 79 to 88 but afterwards scored steadily almost having only one century, which was unfinished. He secured this by scoring after double-banking himself.

Pitman & Ritchie's Score Fourth Victory

Pitman & Ritchie's puckchases continued their victorious march at the Willows last night when they defeated for Spencer's aggregation by a 5-5 score. This is the fourth straight win for the bicycle store men.

Tex's Magic Touch Raises the Dollars

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Tex Rickard has promoted Madison Square Garden almost into the million dollar class in his first year of activity at the new sports arena. The first annual report of the Madison Square Garden Association shows a net profit of \$357,000. Boxing, bike races and hockey games have contributed most revenue.

City League Basketball

J.B.A.A. Seniors Defeat Sons of Canada by 30 to 20—Foresters Beat Kinsmen, 26 to 15

The J.B.A.A. senior men's basketball team came through with flying colors in their game last night played at the Centennial gymnasium in the City League. The opponents, the Sons of Canada, put up a plucky fight, but were heavily handicapped in regard to weight and size. Even at that they were only five field baskets behind the Jays, the final score being 30-20 for the J.B.A.A.

At times some really fine ball was dished up to the fans who had gathered to witness the team in action. The Jays ran in some pretty baskets soon after the opening of the first period, and soon had a comfortable lead over the Sons.

The half-time whistle sounded with the Jays in the lead by nine points, the score having read: J.B.A.A., 18; Sons of Canada, 9. The Canadians rallied for a few minutes in the closing moments of the final period, and for a time it looked as if they might overtake their opponents. However, the J.B.A. stood firm in the pinches and always kept the play well in hand. Tiny Watson, Donaldson and Kennedy were the pick of the winning outfit.

For the Sons of Canada, Burns, Nicol and Collier played good ball for the Sons. Tommy Forbes refereed, and the teams were:

J.B.A.A.—Donaldson, Kennedy, Clark, Watson, McLaughlin and Laidlaw.

Sons of Canada—Daugherty, Nicol, Burns, Cann, Collier and Taylor.

Exhibition Game

The exhibition affair, featuring the C.P.S. and the Sons of England, was a fast game from start to finish. The winner of the game was in doubt right up until the last few minutes of play, when the C.P.S. stopped and gathered in eight points in short time, which gave them the game by a 28-20 score. The winners were led by four points at the half-way mark, the score being 14-10. Three times during the last half the score was tied.

Baccus refereed, and the teams were:

C.P.S.—Forbes, Hole, Woodruff, Smith and Davis.

Sons of England—Thomas, Gandy, Bull, Farbit and Rasso.

The Kinsmen dropped another league game, this time to the Foresters, who defeated them 24-15. The game was a heavy checking affair, and both squads roughed it up considerably. The A.O.F. had the advantage in shooting, their forwards being able to locate the hoop in fine style. In the first twenty minutes of play the even-timers secured a 13-5 lead, which they retained right up to the half-time whistle. They continued to pull away in the final period and were leading by eleven points at the whistle. Veitch was high scorer for the winners, while Later was responsible for most of the Kinsmen's points. Art Hole refereed, and the teams were:

A.O.F.—Langley, Fisher, Veitch, Frizell, Main, Holman, Langley, Kinsmen—McMillan, Lister, Fraser, Stevenson, Baccus and Poynt.

Games Tonight

The following are the games billed for this evening at the Centennial gymnasium:

7:30 p.m.—Intermediate A—112th Bldg. vs. C.P.R.

8:15 p.m.—Senior Ladies B—Scarlet Runners vs. Axioms (Exhibition).

9:00 p.m.—Men's Senior B—Hudson's Bay vs. Sons of England.

Date Is Set for Visit of Famous Maori Ruggers

New Zealanders Making First International Tour in Europe Will Play Here on February 2—Stanford University Here December 29

At a meeting of the Victoria Rugby Union last night it was decided to continue with the Senior Rugby schedule on Saturday, with the Pirates opposing the J.B.A.A. at the Willows at 2:45 o'clock.

On Monday, December 20, a meeting of the selection committee, composed of the following, are requested to meet at the office of the secretary: G. Heinekey, Pirates; Bob McInnes, J.B.A.A., and Lieutenant Kingsley, Navy.

This meeting is called for the purpose of picking the representative team to oppose the Stanford University fifteen here on December 29.

This game will take the form of a benefit match for the widow of the late Capt. Murray. No definite ground has been set yet for this match but this information will be divulged in the near future.

At the meeting last night it was made known that the Maoris who are at present making their first international tour in Europe will play here on Wednesday, February 2. In the Old Country they have been meeting with some stiff opposition but are making a good showing. Their appearance here will no doubt be watched by another such crowd as that which witnessed the famous All Blacks at the Willows two years ago.

Junior Cup Ties To Be Played Saturday

Ex-High and Five C's Meet in Re-play Game—Equimalt Play Saanich Rovers

Junior and juvenile fixtures for Saturday are:

Junior Cup Ties

Equimalt vs. Saanich Rovers at Victoria West Park.

Ex-High United vs. Five C's at Central Park.

Juvenile League

Three C's vs. Saanich Thistles at Beacon Hill upper grounds.

James Bay vs. Saanich Rovers (C), at Heywood Avenue.

All games will commence at 2:30 o'clock.

The cup tie matches will no doubt draw a good following. Last week the Ex-High defeated the Five C's by a 2-1 score in a hard fought game. The latter club protested the playing of a man who had failed to transfer and the league ordered the game re-played.

The game between the Saanich Rovers and Equimalt should be interesting. In previous league matches these teams have proved to be evenly balanced, and on Saturday they should put up a good game.

In the Juvenile League interest will be in the match between the Three C's and the Saanich Thistles. A win for the latter club will give them the championship, but should the Three C's finish on the right end of the score it would create a tie for first place.

The Five C's line-up is announced as follows: Jelliman; Easter and Martin; Bjornsson, E. Viggers (capt), and Vickers; Sutton, Collins, Quinlan, Groves and F. Viggers. Reserves, Bourne and Charlton.

GOLF STARS GATHER FOR BIG TOURNAMENT

George Duncan Among the Notables Entered for Amateur-Professional Event at Sacramento

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 15.—Golf stars prominent nationally in both amateur and professional fields were gathered here tonight for the amateur-professional tournament of 15 holes to be played over the Del Paso Country Club course tomorrow, Friday, Saturday and Sunday will be devoted to the \$2,500 open tournament.

George Duncan, British marvel, arrived here from the East and put in a practice round today along with several of the other notables.

Other prominent golfers here for the tournament include Cyril Walker, Eddie Lock, Larry, Melhorn, Johnny Farrell, Abe Kapinos, John Black, Al Espinosa, Bobby Cruickshank, Mortie Daira, John Golden, Joe Turnesa and George Ritchie.

Turkey Shoot Is Held By Hudson's Bay Staff

The second annual turkey shoot of the Hudson's Bay Employees' Association was held at the Alamosa last night, on the miniature range. R. K. Turkey, three for India and a corresponding number for men, were shot for, and the following were the winners in their respective classes:

Ladies—Miss K. Freshome, 35; Miss Foster, 24; Miss Galloway, 25.

Men—Mr. B. M. Gahagan, 45; Mr. F. Kroneger, 44; Mr. M. Woodley, 44.

After the shoot refreshments were served and dancing was indulged in until 11 o'clock, the Hudson's Bay orchestra rendering the music.

Racing at Tijuana

TIJUANA, Mex., Dec. 15.—Results of racing here today follow:

First race, four and one-half furlongs—Malacha, \$4.40, \$3.60, \$2.90; Ask John, \$4.40, \$4.60; Lenore Elander, \$5.00. Time 1:54.

Second race, four and one-half furlongs—Golden Star, \$12.40, \$2.80, \$2.40; Ask John, \$4.20, \$2.20; Reques, \$3.00. Time 1:54.

Third race, five and one-half furlongs—Shasta (gold), \$4.20, \$3.40, \$2.20; Shasta Hook, \$5.40, \$2.40; Marjorie Beth, \$2.40. Time 1:09.

Fourth race, mile and seventy yards—Royal Oak, \$5.20, \$4.40, \$2.40; Nancy Winer, \$2.40, \$2.60; Lady Choco, \$2.40. Time 1:43 1-3.

Fifth race, six furlongs—Tramplin, \$20.40, \$11.20, \$4.40; Boon, \$2.40, \$2.40; Unionville, \$2.00. Time 1:14 1-3.

Sixth race, six furlongs—The Gaff, \$7.40, \$4.20, \$5.00; The Franciscan, \$3.60, \$5.00; Lady Berrillon, \$7.20. Time 1:14 2-3.

Seventh race, one mile—Son of Ugo, \$11.00, \$4.20, \$4.20; Poor Puss, \$4.40, \$4.00; Frank Jailer, \$3.40. Time 1:43 4-5.

Eighth race, four and one-half furlongs—Virginia Carlton, \$7.40, \$2.20, \$2.00; Better Luck, \$3.20, \$2.80; Downtown, \$5.20. Time 1:55.

Injuries Prevent All-Blacks Matches

HUDDESFIELD, Eng., Dec. 15.—The Rugby League (Northern Union) council today decided against arranging matches for the New Zealand All-Blacks in Paris, London, Belfast and South Wales, due to the fact that a number of the touring Antipodeans are suffering from injuries and will likely be unable to play for some time.

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Can't Make Hole In One by Hand

LONDON, Dec. 15.—British golfers are puzzled over a freak hole in one and a question of golf etiquette at the same time.

A player's tee shot rolled past the flag up the sloping bank at the back of the green and into a rabbit hole. By a local rule the ball was picked out and dropped without penalty.

It rolled down the sloping green and into the cup.

Observing the time-honored custom, the player tipped his caddy hand and bought refreshments for his friends, only to be told later that a referee would not have allowed the hole because a golfer isn't supposed to gain advantage other than fair lie when dropping a picked-up ball.

The ball could not have been dropped without rolling, experts ruled, it should have been placed in a fair lie by hand.

Northend Bowlers Win From Nanaimo Elks

NANAIMO, Dec. 15.—The Northend bowling team took the odd point from the local Elks in last night's fixture.

E. Harris was high man with 137 pins and F. Hanna high average with 173. The individual scores were:

Northend

F. Botley 140 150 181

E. Harris 137 128 159

T. Taylor 138 145 140

P. Corcoran 149 152 144

J. Coffie 111 116 118

Total, 2242.

Elks

W. Waddington 130 124 148

H. Buck 149 143 114

F. Ellison 149 117 130

W. Hooper 131 136 152

F. Hanna 153 149 140

Total, 2157.

Nanaimo Soccer Team Has Record Average

NANAIMO, Dec. 15.—The Nanaimo City football team is now at the head of the Pacific Coast League with fourteen points for seven games, not having lost a point so far. Its goal average establishes a record for the league, with 35 for and only 2 scored against. North Shore (Vancouver), also have fourteen points to their credit, but have played eleven games. The following is the league:

Nanaimo City 7 0 0 14

North Shore 5 2 4 14

Westminster U. 5 1 3 13

S. Saviours 5 2 3 13

Ladysmith 7 2 3 7

Victoria City 2 4 4 10

St. Andrews 1 6 2 4

Varsity 1 5 1 3

Nanaimo Davenport 0 6 2 3

Golf Association May Be Reorganized

TORONTO, Dec. 15.—A report from a committee of the Royal Canadian Golf Association recommends a reorganization of the association which would vest control of its affairs in representatives selected by provincial organizations. The report also recommended sending teams from sections of Canada to Canadian amateur championships. It has been forwarded to provincial golf bodies for their approval.

Ban Johnson Is Restored To His Full Authority

Leagues Will Insist on Revival of Advisory Board—Commissioner Landis to Have Another Seven-Year Term but With No Increase in Salary

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The American Baseball League today restored President Ban Johnson to the full power and authority which the club owners of the league have given him since his removal from the position of Commissioner K. M. Landis.

Seven of the eight club owners elected Johnson to the major league advisory board, which body the big leagues are prepared to insist upon reviving. Two years ago the American league magnates, with the exception of Phil Ball, of St. Louis, voted a strong recommendation of the commissioner and an equally strong criticism of Johnson. Today, all the clubowners, except the Chicago White Sox, restored Johnson to full sway.

Since the time of the Landis endorsement, when Frank Navin, of Detroit, replaced Johnson on the advisory board, the commissioner took no notice of the two major league representatives who were supposed to counsel him on league matters.

The National league representative has been President John Heydler throughout the commissioner's seven-year term.

In adopting the Johnson resolution, the clubowners repeated their endorsement of Landis for another seven-year term, but no mention was made of an increase of salary.

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RICH PROFITEER IS SHORN OF WEALTH

AUSTRIAN FINANCIAL KING DE-THRONED BY BAKERY PURCHASE

Sigmund Rosel, Beloved for Charities, Saves But One Bank in Crash

VIENNA, Dec. 15.—"What's in a name?" the Viennese ask themselves since it became known that Sigmund Rosel, biggest among the Austrian war profiteers, will share the fate of his colleagues and sink back into oblivion after an astounding career. He has tendered his resignation as president of the Union Bank and as managing director of about a dozen big industrial concerns, because his position had become untenable, and all that remains to him is a little private bank.

When the World War was still in its initial phase Rosel was a partner of the little textile and clothing firm, Rosel & Rosenbaum. He solicited a Government order for clothes for refugees. He obtained it and thereby laid the foundation for his later wealth. In 1917 he was still in the textile business, but a millionaire.

Big Chance Came in 1918. The biggest chance of his life arrived in 1918, when Vienna was haunted by starvation and revolutionary outbreaks and when the police president, Johann Schober, later Chancellor of the Austrian Republic, did not know where to get uniforms and food necessary for his police corps. His advisers suggested Rosel as the one man in Austria likely to help him over his difficulty. From the day Rosel looked after the physical welfare of the Viennese police the men got all they needed. When, later on, the citizens of Vienna lauded Schober as the savior of Austria, who never forgot to mention Rosel as his most deserving aide-de-camp.

The political parties rewarded Rosel by lending him their moral support in many big financial and other transactions, and thus it happened that he became the richest man in Austria, and, for a time, in all Central Europe. When, in 1923, he bought up the shares of the Union Bank and was elected its president, Rosel's fortune was estimated roughly at \$100,000,000. He controlled numerous industries in Austria, Czechoslovakia, Germany and Poland and there seemed to be no limit for his economic conquests, until in 1924 the sudden slump of stocks on the Viennese Bourse, which reduced the quotations of industrial and banking shares to a mere fraction of their previous value, left him in a very difficult position.

Like most other speculators, Rosel had paid only part of his shares in cash, and when he was forced to cover against the quick downward movement his engagements were so enormous that he had no other choice than to pawn almost everything he had. Rosel's position began to look more and more precarious. But the people still believed in him, and, at a time when he was no longer able to carry out any important transaction, he bought up one of the biggest bread factories in Vienna, the Hammerbrotwerke.

Loses All but Little Bank. This move was the final reason for his downfall, for he made this purchase with money borrowed from the governmental postal savings bank, and when a recent investigation of this bank showed that its engagements with Rosel had become shaky and demanded a quick, but cautious liquidation, the president of the savings bank claimed Rosel's entire property, with the exception of his little private bank, as cover for the outstanding liabilities. Thus was de-throned the man who, a fortnight ago, was still considered a financial magnate.

This means the downfall of the last of the Big Four who climbed up to unexpected heights during and after the war from modest beginnings, namely: Kola, Krantz, Castiglione and Rosel. While, in other cases, the public did not mind what happened, Rosel finds much sympathy, for he was never mean nor arrogant in his prosperous days and he spent big sums for philanthropic and other public purposes as long as luck was in his favor.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The Chicago Black Hawks crawled up to within one point of first place in the American division of the National Hockey League tonight when they swamped the New York Rangers 6-2. At no time did the rangers have a look-in; Black Hawks scored three in the opening period. The Rangers seemed unable to get started on the small Coliseum rink and were outclassed in every department of the game.

Mickey Mackay's tally in the third period was the feature of the game. Bill Cook was the big noise for the Rangers, scoring both of the visitors' goals, and playing well throughout the entire game. Johnson, Houchner, and Bunny Cook also skated well.

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Bournemouth 2, Bristol City 0.
The Rugby Union
Portsmouth Services 13, Guy's Hospital 7.
County Championship Rugby
Nottingham-Lincoln 3, Warwickshire 19, at Derby.
Eastern Counties 0, Surrey 11, at South End.
The Rugby League—Northern Union
Yorkshire County 17, All-Blacks 16.

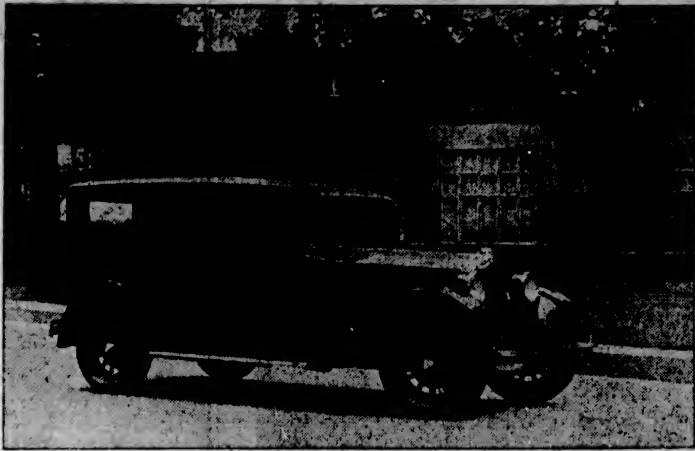
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Oxford Fears Labor's Frown on Student 'Rags'

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Will Labor, should it again come into power in Great Britain, look with disfavor on undergraduate "rags?" This, an Oxford organ, evidently fears this may be the case.

Referring to the recent episode in which Oxford men, when returning from the intervarsity relay races damaged two railway coaches to the extent of £300, the college paper says: "There is the ever growing danger that universities will soon be considered useless institutions for the pro-

pagation and support of hooligans. The Labor Government of the future may not take so lenient a view of the destruction of property which may then belong to the state."

Carpet Bouts
On Tuesday night the Civil Service Hoovers defeated the Willows "B" team by 21 to 17 in a carpet bowls match. The teams were: Civil Service: Wright, Moore, Mayne and Renwick. Willows: Blanda, Johnson, Hyslop and Saunders.

At Lake Hill, Lake Hill won from the Civil Service Ramblers by 15 to 17.

WANTS OPEN DOOR FOR U.S. PICTURES

Elmore Glyn Tells Britain That American Films Are Best in World

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A plea for unrestricted admission of American films into Great Britain on the ground that they are the best films in the world, and that to shut them out would be to destroy hope for the closest relationship of English-speaking peoples, is made by Elmore Glyn, celebrated author of "Three Weeks" and other purple chronicles, in a letter to The London Times. Elmore Glyn, who is now making pictures himself in Los Angeles, writes from that address.

She points out that America had the courage to risk money in the development of moving pictures, and as a result, American picture methods improve year by year. English films, on account of their amateurish presentation, had not yet been able to teach American producers anything. Good English pictures, however, are as welcome in America, says Mrs. Glyn, as are good German or Italian films. "Why can't we admit that Americans know much more about the moving picture industry than we do," she writes, "and be willing to learn from them? They should be allowed to interfere with the growing together of the English-speaking peoples. The hope of the world lies in their closer relationship. How can they be brought together better than by the constant interchange of films which appeal to all classes?"

QUAKE MACHINE TO TEST EFFECT ON STRUCTURES

PALO ALTO, Cal., Dec. 15.—The Stanford University School of Engineering proposes to create some little home-made earthquakes of its own and to study their effects on building construction work to find out how to deal with genuine and full-fledged quakes in putting up buildings, whether skyscrapers or cottages. Strictly speaking, the laboratory tremors which the School of Engineering experimenters will develop are not earthquakes, for the shocks and vibrations will be produced by a massive machine of metal which can be made to shiver at will, and the jarring and motion of which can be measured.

This enterprise, the outcome of previous studies of seismic science at Stanford, has been made possible by a San Francisco donor connected with the building industry, who prefers to remain anonymous.

Data Translated on Large Scale. The experiments which the Stanford engineers will make and tabulate consist of erecting on a heavy moveable metal plate typical elements of construction work and then shaking them under various controlled conditions, seeing what happens and then endeavoring to translate these results into terms applicable to entire structures of different types and materials.

For example, on this machine which can be made to simulate earthquakes there will be bolted an upright lattice girder of angle iron and channel irons. Then the man-made earthquake will be set going and the effects noted. Next a fifty-pound weight can be loaded on top of the girder and the earthquake repeated; then 500 pounds, and possibly 5,000 pounds. The data thus obtained, it is hoped, can then be interpreted to furnish practical guidance, and can be varied to disclose other information now only partly understood.

Six Experts in Charge. In general charge of the building of the earthquake machine and the experiments to be performed with it is a committee of six, of whom Henry D. Dewell, the well-known San Francisco civil engineer, is one. The others are Dean Theodore Hoover, of the School of Engineering; Dr. Bailey Willis, former head of the geology department at Stanford and a deep student of earthquakes, and Professors Jacobson, Moser and Domonoske.

The design of the machine is largely the work of Professor Jacobson. The construction will be in the hands of Professor Domonoske. Mr. Dewell and Professor Moser will advise and assist in the structural engineering phases of the experiments, and Dean

HOVER AND DR. WILLIS WILL AID IN CORRELATING THE GEOLOGIC AND ENGINEERING FACTORS.

Rich Socialist Is Forced to Resign

Man Prominent in Tyrolean Politics Acquired Big Fortune Since War

VIENNA, Dec. 15.—The discovery which non-Socialists have been gleefully broadcasting that one of the leading Austrian provincial Socialists, Dr. Gruener, Lieutenant-Governor of the state of Tyrol, and one of the Tyrolean members of the Austrian Federal Council, had acquired a large fortune since the war and had purchased a medieval castle, where he was living in the baronial style, led the Socialist Party today to force him to resign the above offices.

Dr. Gruener protested vainly that he had inherited the fortune, and that in any case the Marxian creed did not include a vow of poverty. Socialism, he said, was only possible when the party was not limited to the proletariat, but also included the propertied classes, who had something to give. He said he resigned merely to save the party from suffering at this time (the elections coming in 1927) from personal attacks against him.

Dr. Gruener has been especially ridiculed for having ornamented his castle with bronze reliefs of himself in medieval knightly armor, and of his wife in the noble costume of the same period.

The Socialist Party Council also ordered the directors of the Tyrolean Co-operative Society, whose book-keeping has been attacked, to appear before a party court of honor.

Rugby Practice
All J.B.A.A. rugby players are requested to turn out tonight at 7:30 for practice at the clubhouse.

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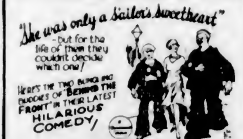
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At the Playhouses

AMUSEMENTS

The Screen
Capitol—"The Blonde Saint," featuring Doris Kenyon and Lewis Stone.
Columbia—Ken Maynard and Dorothy Devore, in "Senor Daredevil."
Dominion—"We're in the Navy Now," starring Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton.
The Stage
Coliseum—"Some Baby."
Playhouse—"The New Minister."
Royal—"Lady Frederick."
Crystal Garden—Dancing and Swimming.

"SENOR DAREDEVIL" ON COLUMBIA SCREEN

Ken Maynard and Dorothy Devore Co-Stars in New Type of Picture Showing Today

An entirely new type of outdoor picture. Great, open and spacious settings and a star, Ken Maynard, who is a superb horseman and athlete, are the only points which classify "Senor Daredevil," which comes to the Columbia Theatre today. It is a Charles R. Rogers production, directed by Al Rogell, who, although one of the youngest directors, has a long list of screen successes to his credit.

"We are in the comedy arc of the screen cycle in now," said Rogell, and "Senor Daredevil," with one of the most adept of comedienne, Dorothy Devore, as featured lead, we have plenty of laughs. Moreover, with a cast including such actors as George Nichols, Josef Swickard, J. P. McGowan, Sheldon Lewis and others, we are assured of fine portrayals of the widely divergent characters of the story. The greatest attention was paid to the selection of beautiful settings and backgrounds for the dramatic and romantic episodes, and with Sol Polito, A.S.C. at the camera, the beauty spots were transferred to the screen at their full value.

PLAYHOUSE—"Ransom's Folly," the new first National picture, starring Richard Barthelmess, is an adaptation of the famous story by Richard Harding Davis. On the stage, Lieutenant Ransom was originally played by Robert Edison, who also starred in "Clash of Swords," which was later done by Barthelmess on the screen. The picture was directed by Sidney Olcott from the screen adaptation of Lillie Hayward. Dorothy Mackall plays opposite the star.

COLISEUM The Coliseum show this week is a feast of music and color. There is a colorful specialty arranged by Mr. George Olsen with a tableau of girls illustrating the famous Kipling song of the Orient, "On the Road to Mandalay." "Barcelona" is another number which is beautifully produced, and the entire story of "Some Baby" is full of music and action.

CAPITOL Lewis Stone and Doris Kenyon are co-stars in "The Blonde Saint," a romantic adventure based on Stephen F. Whitman's novel, "The Isle of Life," which plays at the Capitol Theatre. The picture was produced by Sam E. Rork Productions for First National Pictures. Italian gardens, a Sicilian island village, a mountain villa and ruins of a pagan temple on "The Isle of Life" are the principal scenes of the photoplay. Grand and superb music score production was Corinne Griffith. "Into Her Kingdom," directed "The Blonde Saint."

DOMINION Eclipsing their superb performances in "Behind the Front," Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton mount co-starring comedy, "We're in the Navy Now," which is playing at the Dominion Theatre this week. "We're in the Navy Now" is the most truthful, exuberant funny tale of the war yet portrayed on any screen and the enjoyment evidenced by opening night moviegoers established new laugh records. Every possible naval comedy situation is included in this picture. Big battle scenes showing all manner of ships, hydroplanes and submarines lend a spectacular force. Portrayed by an unusual cast, the laughable side of the United States navy has been played to the hilt under Edward E. Rothman's direction. The story deals with the adventures of a pugilist, Beery, and his manager, Hatton.

Parson—"Don't you know, my boy, that you shouldn't play ball on Sunday?" Small Boy—"That's all right, mister, we ain't playin', we're only practicin' for tomorrow's game."

Vancouver Manager
Commends Play at
Royal Theatre Tonight

Mr. C. Denham, of the Royal Theatre, received the following wire last night from Mr. W. Barnes, manager of the Orpheum Theatre, Vancouver, in regard to "Lady Frederick," which shows here for three nights beginning tonight. "You need not hesitate to heartily recommend 'Lady Frederick' to your most discriminating patrons. As a one hundred per cent attraction on sheer merit Pauline Frederick is certainly one screen star whose work on the stage far outshines anything the silver screen could do for her."

Tree Falls on Man

VERNON, Dec. 15.—A falling tree brought instant death to Joseph Alford Hultman, close to his shanty in the woods near Lumby on Tuesday. Hultman was working with his son, Coroner Dr. O. Morris decided that an inquest was unnecessary, and the body was brought to Vernon for burial.

An acid stomach caused by indigestion often creates rheumatic symptoms. Get your stomach right with Benger's Food. (Adv.)

Appears This Evening at Royal Victoria



PAULINE FREDERICK

The noted stage beauty, who will appear at the Royal Theatre for three nights, beginning tonight. Miss Frederick is seen above in the \$50,000 coat of Russian robes that she wears in the first act of Maugham's "Lady Frederick."

AUSTRALIAN BAND GIVEN OVATION HERE

Brilliant Ensemble Played Two Programmes on diverse, comprising the same members who were last night and re-elected Senator Willoughby as chairman. The committee will recommend to the Senate that thirty-nine uncontested bills which had passed the committee stage last session, be passed by the Senate this year without taking evidence over again. The cases referred to were heard at the last session of Parliament but did not reach final stages owing to dissolution.

Nothing finer in band music has been heard here, and enthusiasm ran to a high pitch in both the afternoon and evening audiences. The performance was exceptional in every respect, coupling with the technical perfection of the well-known bands of the Old Land a spirited and brilliant style which might very properly be sought in the younger Dominions. Indeed, the personnel of the band is noticeably young, and this undoubtedly accounts for the vigor and energy which infused their playing, although there was no lack of delicacy as well as depth of expression.

The programmes in both cases afforded splendid scope for a display of the compass and capabilities of the general ensemble. There was the most delicate balance of tone at all times, so delicate that even the non-musical ear could appreciate the beauties of musical texture in the more intricate compositions; while their capacity to develop full honied tones of great beauty and immense volume was displayed in such showy works as the overture to Rossini's "William Tell," particularly the storm episode and the brilliant finale. The hand in one of the few in existence, probably, which can develop such continuity of tone that it can reproduce the effect of an organ. "Nearer, My God, to Thee" furnished the outstanding example of this, and Sullivan's "Lost Chord" became a close rival.

Kindly Mrs. Henderson had taken an interest in the tramp who appeared at her door one morning. "So you can't read or write," she said to him. "Dear, dear!" "No, mum; but I'm thinkin' of takin' up a correspondence course in readin'."

Continuity of Tone

A wonderful example of their ability to develop, without perceptible change, from an almost inaudible pianissimo to fortissimo was heard in the military number entitled "Descriptive Marcheau." Illustrating the approach and passing of a patrol on the march. The quality of the pianissimo suggested distance rather than mere softness, and while the fortissimo developed from this was strikingly effective, the diminuendo into which this in turn blended was an even more brilliant piece of instrumentation. Beautiful accent, phrasing, style, and elegance were characteristics of all that they played.

The soloists were astonishingly clever. Those who have not heard Mr. Harold Reid play the xylophone are also assets to the band, and both were recalled for encores after very fine performances in which they showed beautiful flexibility of tone and generally artistic musicianship.

The single man seldom has a button on his shirt. A colleague says some married men seldom have a shirt to put one on.

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W. BARNES, Manager Orpheum Theatre, Vancouver, B. C.

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INCREASE IS SHOWN IN LEAD AND ZINC

Consolidated Mining & Smelter Company Is Dominating Producer in Canada

The amount of both lead and zinc produced in Canada during the past year has, according to Dr. F. J. Alcock, of the Geological Survey, shown an increase over that of the previous year. During the half-year period ending June 30, 1926, the zinc produced amounted to \$7,159,579 pounds as compared with \$5,257,772 of the corresponding six months of 1925, while that of lead during the same period of 1926 was 138,337,755 pounds as compared with 128,338,446 produced from January to June, inclusive, in 1925.

Of both of these metals, over ninety per cent is produced in British Columbia and most of this in turn comes from the Sullivan Mine at Kimberley, owned and operated by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada, Limited. The Sullivan concentrator is treating at present three thousand tons of zinc and lead ore per day and its capacity is being increased to four thousand tons per day. In addition the same company has a concentrator at Moyle, which treats five hundred tons per day of the old St. Eugene mine tailings.

At the company's smelter at Trail, additions are being made to both the zinc and lead plant, and the current mill which has been handling three hundred tons of custom ore from the St. Eugene and other districts of British Columbia is being increased to a capacity of six hundred tons. In addition to the Sullivan there are many properties now producing zinc and lead on a smaller scale. In the Cranbrook region, the Stomwinder at Kimberley and the Aurora at Moyle are both shipping ore.

Slocan Shows Well
In the Slocan region a large number of properties are now in the shipping class and many others are under development. The Paradise mine in the Windermere valley has recently changed owners and increased production is expected. At Field, work is being renewed on the Monarch property on the flank of Mount Stephen and on the Kicking Horse across the valley. On the coast development work has been carried out during the summer on a zinc property at Lund and on a prospect at Lynn Creek near Vancouver.

In Eastern Canada the two producers are the Kingdom lead mine at Gales, Ontario, and the Tetrault mine at Notre Dame des Anges, Quebec. The former has been a steady producer of lead since 1914, last year it produced over 7,000,000 pounds and during the past summer installations were made to greatly increase the output. The Tetrault property has been operated by the British Metal Corporation (Canada) Limited, since 1924. The same company has, during the past year, been carrying out development work on the Calumet Island zinc property near Camp-

bell's Bay, Quebec. Development work was also carried out during the summer on the Frontenac lead mine near Kingston, on zinc showings near Sudbury, on a lead prospect near Smithfield, N.S., and on the zinc prospect at Stirling, Cape Breton Island, in Gaige peninsula, Quebec, prospecting and development work have opened up further promising veins in the neighborhood of the Federal mine on the headwaters of the Cascapequia River. Altogether, prospects are very favorable for a continued increase in the production of both zinc and lead in the immediate future.

ISLAND BREEDERS MAKE CREDITABLE SHOWING

Rabbits From This District Win Prizes at Vancouver Winter Fair

Many prizes were won at the Winter Rabbit Fair at Vancouver by exhibitors from Victoria and district, who report an excellent and well-arranged show. Mrs. Carter, Nonpareil Rabbitry, won four firsts with an entry of four French silver rabbits. Houghton Fur Farm secured all awards in Chinchilla gigantis, and did well with French silvers also. Mr. D. Bullen, of Langford, won twelve prizes, including the special for best display of blue hares, and Messrs. Barlow & Goddard, of Sidney, won with Chinchillas in strong competition.

Mr. W. Miller Higgs, of Galiano, did well with white Flemish and Japanese, and the black Siberian hares exhibited by Mr. F. P. Boucher, Shovel Bay, won seven firsts and seconds, and were much admired by visiting fur farmers from the East. The well arranged fur display sent by Mrs. E. Simmonds, Rosbay Ranch, Victoria, was the centre of attraction and received three first prizes for tanned, untanned and manufactured articles respectively; the judges specially commending its educative value and pronouncing it the best he had ever seen.

To Broadcast for Christmas Funds

Stockers' Reliable Order of Night Birds broadcast their annual drive for Christmas funds this evening. Last year the sum of \$300 was raised and divided between the Friendly Hospice, the Salvation Army and the Orphanage. This radio club has become very popular throughout the continent and now has nearly 2,500 members, who are scattered over the United States and Canada. They have done a great deal to advertise Victoria, and Chief Night Bird Stocker hopes the local fans will respond as nobly this year as they did last year.

"Did you struggle against the consequences of temptation?" asked the prison chaplain. "Yes, I did," replied the convict. "Ah, but you should have fought a little harder, and you would not be here now."

"I done the best I could, mister. It took seven policemen to get me to the station."



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BRITISH SECRETS OF STATE LIGHTLY HELD

Brigadier-General Waters in New Memoirs Tells Amusing Incidents of the Past

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A real "peek behind the scenes" in diplomacy and statecraft, with some surprising details of the casual manner in which great English statesmen handled "secrets" is given by a relatively unknown, but obviously well-informed, personage—Brigadier-General Walter Hely-Hutchinson Waters, late of the British War Office Intelligence Department—who has joined the fashionable ranks of memoir writers.

In his book, "Secret and Confidential," Gen. Waters gives piquant details as to how those awe-inspiring words are regarded by the very folk who order their use. There is on the British Statute Book an all-embracing and formidable law known as the "Official Secrets Act," which lays down severe penalties for breaches of the regulations, but seemingly, Premiers and such-like don't bother much about it.

Premier's Copy Never Found
Quite the most delightful incident under this heading occurred when Waters was ordered to obtain and destroy all existing copies of a certain confidential report on the impracticability of forcing the Dardanelles with ships alone, which was drawn up in 1892 by War Office experts during one of the periodical Anglo-Russian-Turkish crises.

Only six copies were in existence and they had been issued to Cabinet Ministers and officials of the highest standing. The late Marquis of Salisbury (then Prime Minister) had one copy and Waters went to collect it. The Premier had "some sort of dim recollection" of having seen it, but "rather thought he had left it in the pocket of an old coat he had given to his gardener." That copy was never found.

Arthur James Balfour (now Earl Balfour, but then leader of the House of Commons) also had a copy, but that eminent statesman had "absolutely no idea" what he had done with it. The then First Lord of the Admiralty also had a copy, but promised to search for it. That was all that happened about the Admiralty's copy.

That Kings don't always count much with their Ministers and Generals is revealed by Gen. Waters in an amusing anecdote of how he got "severely told off" by his superiors at the War Office for venturing to discuss one of his own secret reports with King Edward (then Prince of Wales).

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Toronto's Ponzi Gets Seven-Year Sentence



PERCY D. HAM

Toronto's "Ponzi," sentenced to seven years at Kingston penitentiary after manipulation of bond sales and purchases amounting to over \$20,000,000. He was charged with fraud and forgery.

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Kurdistan Princess To Perform Harem Dances in America

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A Princess without a country, but claiming perfect mastery of Oriental harem dances, is holding the attention of London theatre followers prior to her departure for New York.

Princess Lelia Bederkhan, she calls herself, and she claims Kurdistan as her once royal home. Her mission is to instruct the United States in the ways of a dance which "makes the black bottom look old-fashioned."

ELECTRICIANS TO HOLD CONVENTION

City Wiring Inspector S. L. Wilson Receives Word From Northwest Electrical Association

The Northwestern Electrical Association will hold its annual convention in Portland on January 17 and 18. City Wiring Inspector Sydney L. Wilson was advised yesterday. The programme for the convention includes the presentation of many important papers by men of wide experience and prominent positions.

There will be a manufacturers' show in connection with the convention, which is to be educational in character and will provide a new feature to this convention. Included in this organization's membership are representatives from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia. The prime object of this organization is for uniformity and co-operation in all matters pertaining to electrical ordinances, codes and inspections.

The officers of the Association are as follows: Mr. L. W. Goins, of Portland, president; Mr. F. D. Weber, of Portland, secretary-treasurer; executive committee, Messrs. J. B. Fisk, Spokane; H. A. Patton, Seattle; H. S. Jenkins, Bellingham; J. H. Sroufe, Portland; F. D. Weber and L. W. Goins.

Many addresses pertaining to electrical matters will be given in addition to the usual business being discussed.

Woman's Leap Off Bridge Reunites Man and Wife

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A woman's death leap from a high bridge on Riverside Drive yesterday afternoon has reunited a taxi driver and his wife, after a separation, it was said, lasting five years.

When the woman made her death leap, Joseph Kipchak, taxi driver, wept and fainted. He thought it was his estranged wife. Last night Kipchak walked into the police station with his wife and announced he was mistaken in his identification of the woman.

He explained that through the death of the other woman they had found each other and became reconciled.

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DAWSON, Dec. 14.—The hotel at 40 Mile, the first mining camp in the Yukon, was destroyed by fire on Sunday, according to word received here today. The hotel was owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Shulze, old-time residents.

The modern girl is one who thinks sitting down without crossing her knees is a waste of silk stockings.



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Finance and Commerce

HEAVY SELLING SAGS MANY LEADING STOCKS

But Baldwin Establishes New High Record Price and Erie Preferred Gains Two Points

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—Heavy selling for both accounts in speculative leaders, coincident with a resumption of pool operations in a number of standard industrial and specialties, imparted considerable irregularity to the prices in today's stock market.

Call money dropped from 5 to 4 1/2 per cent and time money was again on a flat 4 1/2 per cent basis.

Baldwin, after establishing a new high for all time at 185 1/2, sold down to 183 1/2, a small loss on the day.

General Motors, Chrysler, Hudson, Willys-Overland and United States Rubber also closed at small net losses.

Special strength of the Erie preferred issues, each of which advanced over two points to the highest price in ten years, was based on unconfirmed reports that dividends on the first preferred would be resumed at the rate of 4 1/2 annually at a meeting of the directors on Friday.

United States Steel common closed 15 1/2 to a new high on the current upswing, and then slid back to 15 1/4, up on the day and two points below the record top established earlier in the year.

Oils moved upward under the leadership of Atlantic Refining which reached extreme advance of six points at 137. Total sales, 1,872,000.

Bond trading moved at a slower pace today with buying activity apparently regarded by the billion dollar turnover of funds. These operations, involving government disbursements and tax collections as well as larger dividend and interest payments, failed, however, to have any noticeable effect on the money market.

(All Fractions in Eighteenths)

Stock	Price	Stock	Price
Allied Chemicals	100 1/2	Am. Steel Foundry	100 1/2
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Am. Oil	100 1/2	Am. Tobacco	100 1/2
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 Hug-Me-Tights in soft pastel shades, made in Nightingale style with close-fitting cuffs and with shawl effect across back. All the desirable shades. Each. —Sweaters, 1st Floor

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 Astrachan Mitts, black or grey; for little fellows, 3 to 5. Price. —95c
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In pretty shades of blue, peach and rose; lace-trimmed or with satin ribbon bandings. Big selection, priced from. —\$5.25 to —\$6.95

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Dainty Bobette Bloomers with vest to match, in all pretty pastel colorings with contrasting pipings. Ideal gifts for your girl friends. A set. —\$3.95

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Of good quality Rayon silk in all wanted shades and sizes. A pair. —\$1.50 and —\$1.95

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Of Rayon silk, with dainty pleated frills. Shown in all colors. At a pair. —\$2.50
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Wrap Girdles

For the Slim Figure, Each \$1.25

Short Wrap Girdles of fancy cotton and elastic, front clasp style, with four hose supporters. Suitable for slim figures. Each. —\$1.25
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Lace-Trimmed Bandette Brassieres Each, 65c

Bandette Brassieres of fancy pink cotton, back-hook style, trimmed with narrow white lace. A gift that is useful, attractive and at the same time inexpensive. Each. —65c
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GIFT HOSIERY For Women, Misses and Children

Chiffons, \$2.50

Rainbow Stripe and Kayser Silk Chiffon Hose, in all popular shades; full fashioned, with square or slipper heels. At. —\$1.95 and —\$2.50

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In Kayser and Rainbow Stripe brands, all colors and various heels; full fashioned with hemmed tops. At a pair. —\$1.95

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In sports shades and patterns, small diamond effects, full fashioned and well reinforced at feet. A pair. —\$1.95

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Plain Knit Silk Socks, with turn-over ribbed cuffs; shown in a nice assortment of shades, white, sky, pink, buttercup, apple green, peach, champagne, orchid and sand. A pair. —49c

Children's Woolen Golf Hose

In a great selection of shades; shown in silk and wool, all-wool or silk-plated, with contrasting cuffs. Big assortment. Special, a pair. —59c

Boys' All-Wool Golf Hose

Knit in a wide rib effect, with contrasting novelty tops, seven-eighths length; in brown, grey, fawn and lovat mixture. Sizes 8½ to 10½. At. —95c

See Our Great Assortment of Wheel Toys

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Bicycles, Wagons, Scooters, Tricycles, Cars Every Wheel Toy You Have in Mind

The joy and delight of every little boy and girl—Wheel Toys. Toys that last and can be played with all the year round.

Doll Carriages in leatherette and wicker, all sizes. A big assortment at \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.75, \$4.50, \$6.00 and. —\$7.25
 Tricycles with strong metal frames, leather seats and rubber tires. Good sturdy toys that will last. Prices \$5.95, \$6.50, \$6.95, \$9.00 up to —\$19.00
 Kiddie Cars with rubber tires, disc wheels, some with balloon tires. Priced at \$3.00, \$3.25 and. —\$3.50
 Wagons with and without tool boxes. They have metal under carriages, disc and spoke wheels fitted with metal or rubber tires, and sports models. Priced at \$4.50, \$5.25, \$7.95, \$8.25, \$9.00, \$9.50 and. —\$10.00
 Wheelbarrows, very strongly built, painted in bright colors. Each, 95c, \$1.25, \$1.60 and. —\$1.75
 Pedal Cars in bright red color with metal frames, disc wheels, balloon tires and bell attached. Very attractive. Each. —\$4.95
 Scooters with metal frames, hardwood handles, disc wheels and rubber tires. Priced at \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.35, \$4.50, \$5.95 and. —\$7.50

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

All sizes, just chock full of surprises and some very useful toys. Each, 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and. —\$1.50
 —Lower Main Floor



The Season's New Handbags

A very complete and interesting collection of handbags has arrived just in time for Christmas selection

Leather Handbags

In pouch style, with brocade lining, steel frame and centre purse. Shown in a range of novelty leathers in tan, beige, brown, cadet blue, red and burgundy. At. —\$2.95 and —\$3.95

Pouch Bags

Of genuine calf leathers in a range of beautiful colors, including beige, burgundy, cadet blue, new tan, brown, red, grey and black. Some are more lined, others with fancy brocade. Mounted on fancy inset frames and fitted with centre swing purse and strap handles. Each. —\$7.50 and —\$7.95

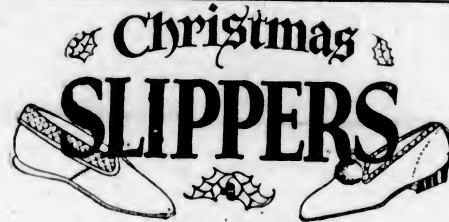
English Leather Handbags

Envelope style, with strap handle. Three compartments, fitted with small mirror and change purse. Shown in morocco, fancy Persian calf, suede calf, pin seal. In shades of green, buff, tan, rose, brown, fawn and black. Priced from. —\$7.50 to —\$12.75
 —Purses, Main Floor

A Late Delivery of 3,000 Yards of FIGURED SILKS

In various colorings and designs. Values from 98c to \$3.98 a yard. On sale for

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WARM SLIPPERS

Wool Plaid Slippers

For men, women and children, in a variety of colorings, with felt and leather soles. At, pair. —\$1.95, —\$1.45 and —95c
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Julietts

For women. Shown in all colors with contrasting plush binding; leather soles and low heels. A pair. —\$1.95
 —Shoes, 1st Floor

Children's Cosy Slippers

Of wool blanket cloth with high top that buckles at ankle and flexible leather soles. Sizes 7 to 2. In blue and camel. At, per pair. —\$1.45
 —Shoes, 1st Floor

Romeos

For men. Very comfortable and warm. Made from soft kid with elastic sides and flexible leather soles. Pair. —\$2.75 and —\$3.50
 —Shoes, Main Floor

Foot Comfort at a Low Figure

Slippers for men, women and children on the Bargain Highway are remarkably low priced. Wool plaids, boudoirs and novelty felt slippers. Only, a pair. —95c



The new Orthophonic Victrola

EVERYBODY who hears the new Orthophonic Victrola is amazed and astonished. It gives a new and more glorious meaning to the word... music!

Come today and learn how this great invention is bringing the enjoyment of musical genius within the reach of millions.

Models from \$115 to \$385.

Convenient terms.

Music Dept., Lower Main Floor

Jerseys and Sweaters for Boys

New Styles and Colors That All Boys Desire

Sweaters in light or heavy weave, including every style; lumberjacks, jazz and other popular makes. Pull-over or coat models. A great range of prices.

Jerseys in pure wool and wool mixtures, \$1.50 and —\$1.75
 Sweaters in all styles, priced from \$1.95 to —\$7.00
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Boys' Negligee Shirts for Gifts, \$1.50

Boys' Negligee Shirts of plain and fancy broadcloths; sizes 12½ to 14½. At. —\$1.50

Boys' Shirt Waists Of Prints and Broadcloths \$1.00 and \$1.50

Waists of prints, cords and flannels, with plain collars; for 4 to 16 years. At. —\$1.00

A Great Selection of Waists, for the ages of 6 to 16 years. —\$1.50
 —Boys' Store, Lower Main Floor

Youths' Negligee Shirts \$1.50 to \$2.50

Negligee Shirts of fancy reps and broadcloths, with separate collars; sizes 13 to 14½. At. —\$1.50 to —\$2.50

Boys' Pajamas

Select Gifts

\$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00

Boys' One and Two-Piece Pajamas, of heavy texture flannellette; sizes from 8 to 18 years. Neat patterns. —Boys' Store, Lower Main Floor

Boys' Tweed and Velour Caps

Give Your Boy One for Christmas

Jackie Coogan caps of fancy tweeds and fawn velours. Sizes 6 to 6½, \$1.25
 Tweed caps in assorted styles and patterns. Sizes 6½ to 7½. —\$1.00 and —\$1.50
 —Boys' Store

A Neat Fitting Sweater Pleases a Man

All-Wool Pull-Over Sweaters, "Universal" brand. They are made with V neck and tight rib bottom. Fancy designs and patterns. —\$4.95

Heavy Rope Stitch Sweaters, coat style with shawl collar and pockets. Suitable for cold weather wear. —\$4.75
 —Men's Furnishings, Main Floor



Men's Flannelette Pajamas and Night-shirts

Always Welcome Gifts

Flannelette Pajamas, patterned in fancy assorted stripes and excellent grade material. —\$2.25
 Men's Flannelette Nightshirts, white or in fancy stripes. Each. —\$1.50
 —Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Men's Union Flannel Shirts

A Gift a Man Will Approve

\$2.50

Union Flannel Shirts, in light, medium and fancy stripes, with turn-down collar attached, or with separate collar to match. Well made shirts that will wear well. —\$2.50
 —Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Men's Black Astrachan Driving Gloves, \$1.75

A Gift for a Motorist

Astrachan Driving Gloves, with gauntlet wrist, lined and rubber interlined; with strap. Great value, a pair. —\$1.75

English "Llama" Brand Flannelette Shirts, \$1.95

English Flannelette Shirts, made pull-over style. Very roomy shirts, with neckband and hand cuffs, patterned in light fancy stripes. —\$1.95
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He Cannot Have Too Many Ties

You may always feel assured you have given the correct thing if your gift is a tie. Choose from the multitude we have on display.

Silk Ties in all colorings and patterns. Your choice, from. —50c to —\$2.50
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